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SONIC THE HEDGEHOG™

REPORT TO
KNOTHOLE CONTROL
STAT! WE HAVE A
VISITOR--

KNUCKLES THE ECHIDNA!

HERE
COMES THE
EXPRESS!

NO WAY!

CRASH
OF THE

HUMANS

I'M AFRAID SO...
HE'S WALKING ALONG
THE OUTER EDGE OF
THE GREAT FOREST!

BUT HE
NEVER LEAVES
HIS FLOATING
ISLAND HOME!

*IN SONIC TRIPLE TROUBLE -ED.

GRRRR... THAT DREADLOCKER
MAKES MY SPINES TINGLE!
HE'S UP TO NO GOOD!

I'LL SHOW
YOU EXACTLY WHAT
HE'S UP TO...

THAT'S WHERE
WE TANGLED
LAST!*

I MET HIS
GREAT GRAND-
FATHER!**

**IN THE RECENTLY COMPLETED TAILS
MINI-SERIES-- MINI EDITOR

...THE BORDER OF
ROBOTROPOLIS!

WE DON'T KNOW THAT, SONIC! I WANT
YOU TO GO TALK TO HIM... DID YOU HEAR?

TALK!

:sigh: YEAH, RIGHT...
WHAT DO THE ODDS
MAKERS SAY?

FOUR
TO ONE
THEY'RE IN
A FIGHT BY
PAGE SIX!

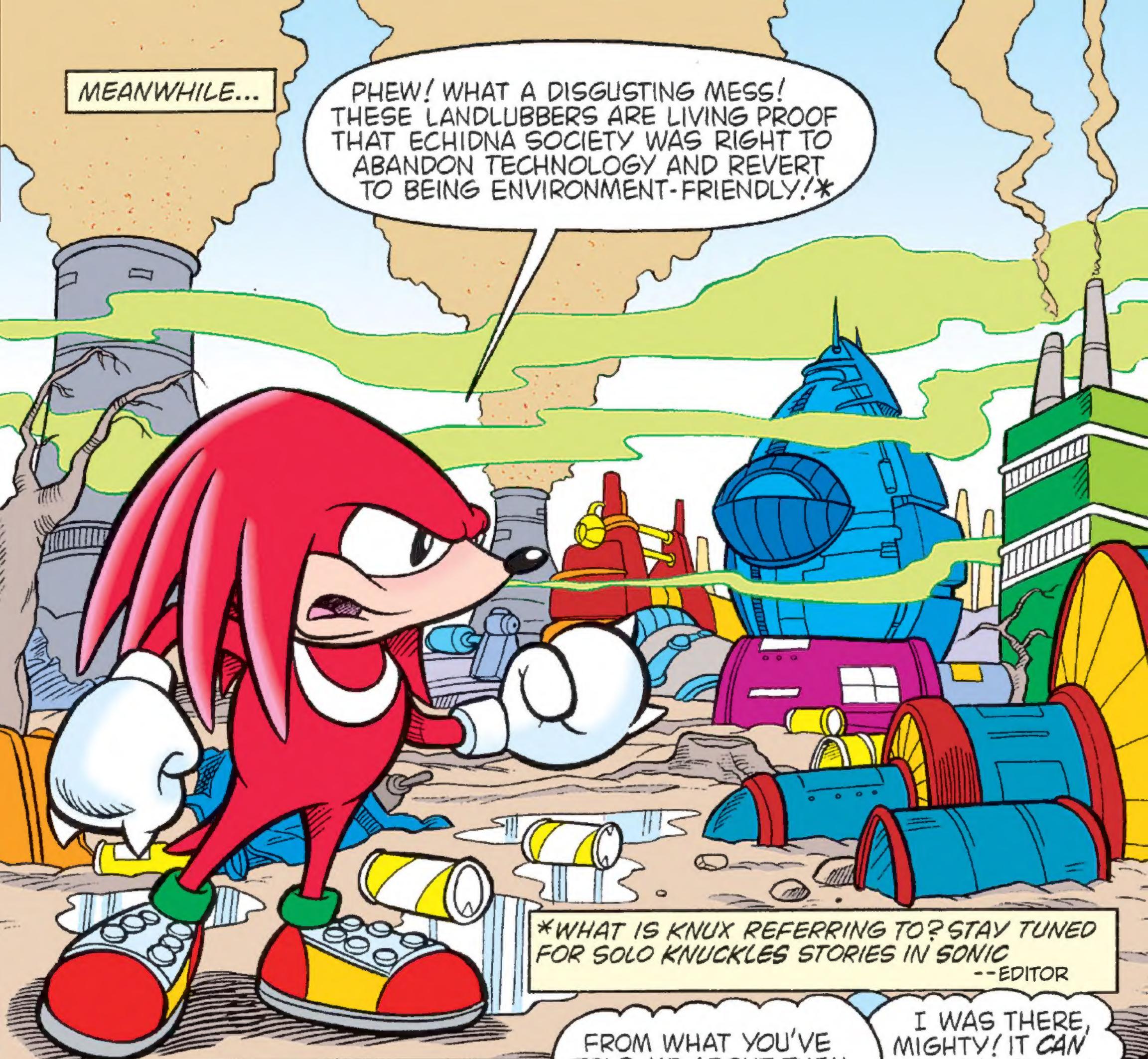
SKREEET...

GOTCHA,
SALLY...

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MEANWHILE...

PHEW! WHAT A DISGUSTING MESS!
THESE LANDLUBBERS ARE LIVING PROOF
THAT ECHIDNA SOCIETY WAS RIGHT TO
ABANDON TECHNOLOGY AND REVERT
TO BEING ENVIRONMENT-FRIENDLY!*



*WHAT IS KNUX REFERRING TO? STAY TUNED
FOR SOLO KNUCKLES STORIES IN SONIC
--EDITOR

"IN FACT, THAT'S THE VERY
REASON I'M HERE... JUST
AS I WAS SAYING TO
MIGHTY THE ARMADILLO,
ONE OF THE CHAOTIX..."

I SAW IT HAPPEN!
A CHAOS EMERALD
BROKEN IN HALF!*

BUT
ISN'T THAT
IMPOSSIBLE?

FROM WHAT YOU'VE
TOLD ME ABOUT THEM,
THOSE GEMSTONES ARE
THE ULTIMATE
ENERGY SOURCE!

I WAS THERE,
MIGHTY! IT CAN
HAPPEN... ONLY I
WON'T LET IT
HAPPEN HERE!

*IN THE AFOREMENTIONED TRIPLE TROUBLE
--EDITOR

LONG AGO, WHEN MY
ANCESTORS RAISED THIS
FLOATING ISLAND INTO
THE SKY *...

... IT WAS POWERED BY
A DOZEN CHAOS EMERALDS...
BUT NOT ANYMORE!

*DESCRIBED BY KNUCKLES' GREAT GRANDFATHER ATHAIR IN ISSUE #3 OF TAILS' MINI-SERIES
-ED.

"NOW THERE'S ONLY ONE GREEN GEM
IN THE CENTRAL CHAMBER -- AND
THAT WORRIES ME!"

I'M THE GUARDIAN OF THIS ISLAND!
IF THAT LAST EMERALD FAILS, IT COULD
SPELL DOOM FOR EVERYONE!

HOW
WOULD YOU
GET ANOTHER
ONE?

FLIP!

A GOOD QUESTION...
PERHAPS THE ANSWER
LIES IN HERE!

gasp!
THE BOOK
OF MYTHS!*

*MENTIONED BY KNUCKLES BACK IN "TRIPLE TROUBLE SPECIAL --EDITOR

HERE WE ARE..."CHAOS EMERALDS ARE MYSTICALLY LINKED TO THE MAGIC RINGS FOUND INSIDE ZONES!* HOWEVER, LEGENDS SPEAK OF ONE OTHER LOCATION WHERE THEY CAN BE FOUND...

...THE LAKE OF RINGS!

IT IS SAID THE PASTORAL POND CAN SUDDENLY GIVE OFF A GOLDEN GLOW...

--AND A MAGIC RING BREAKS THE SURFACE!

SOME SAY THE RINGS ARE A BY-PRODUCT OF THE EMERALDS... OTHERS SAY IT IS THE OTHER WAY AROUND!

*THE SAME ZONES YOU ENTER WHEN YOU PLAY SEGA'S SONIC VIDEO GAMES--

-EDITOR

LOOK HERE..."THE RING RADIATES COSMIC ENERGY... BUT THE LAKE'S LOCATION IS LOST TO HISTORY!

MAYBE NOT-- THE KEY WORD IS "RADIATES!"

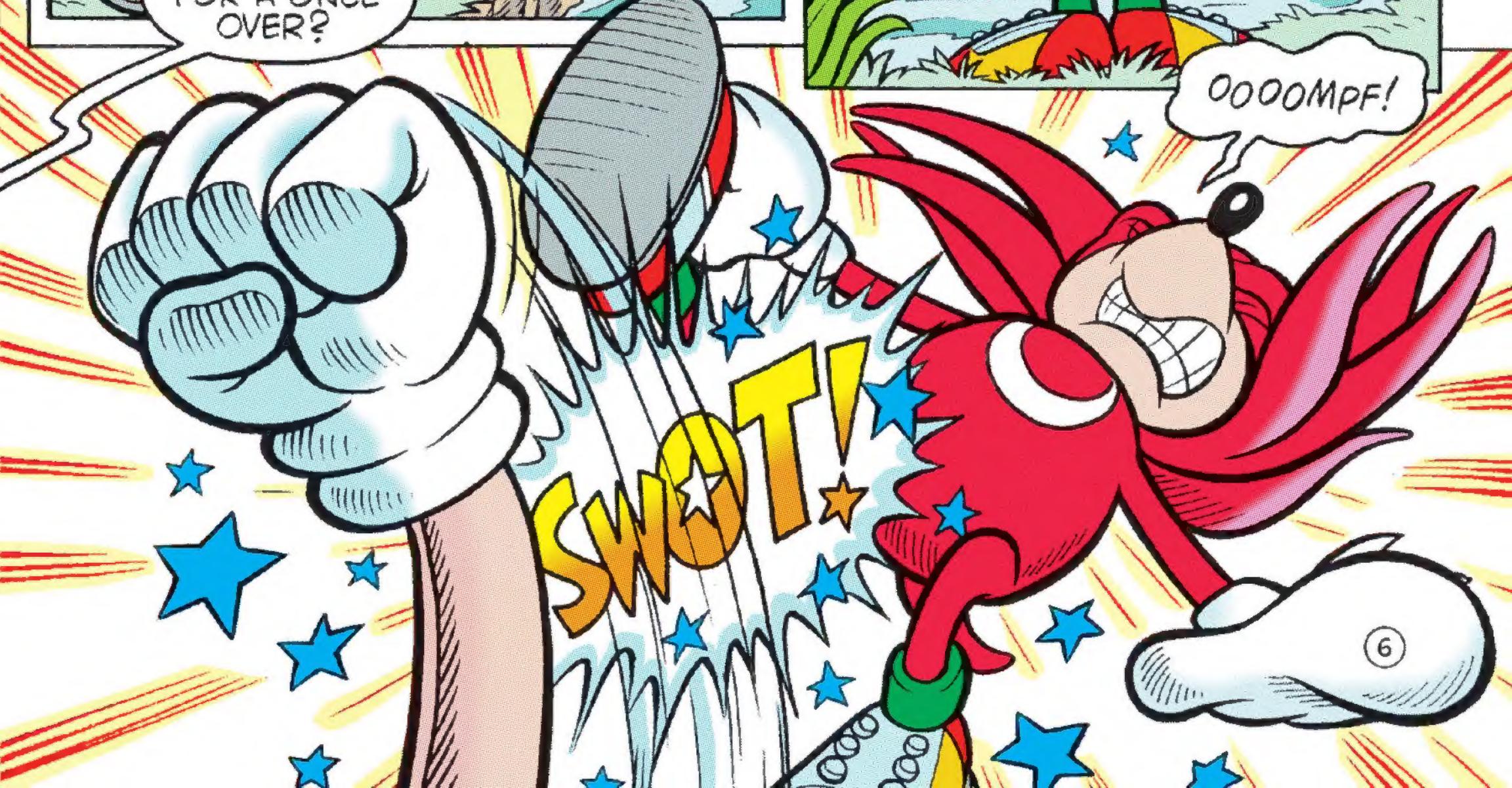
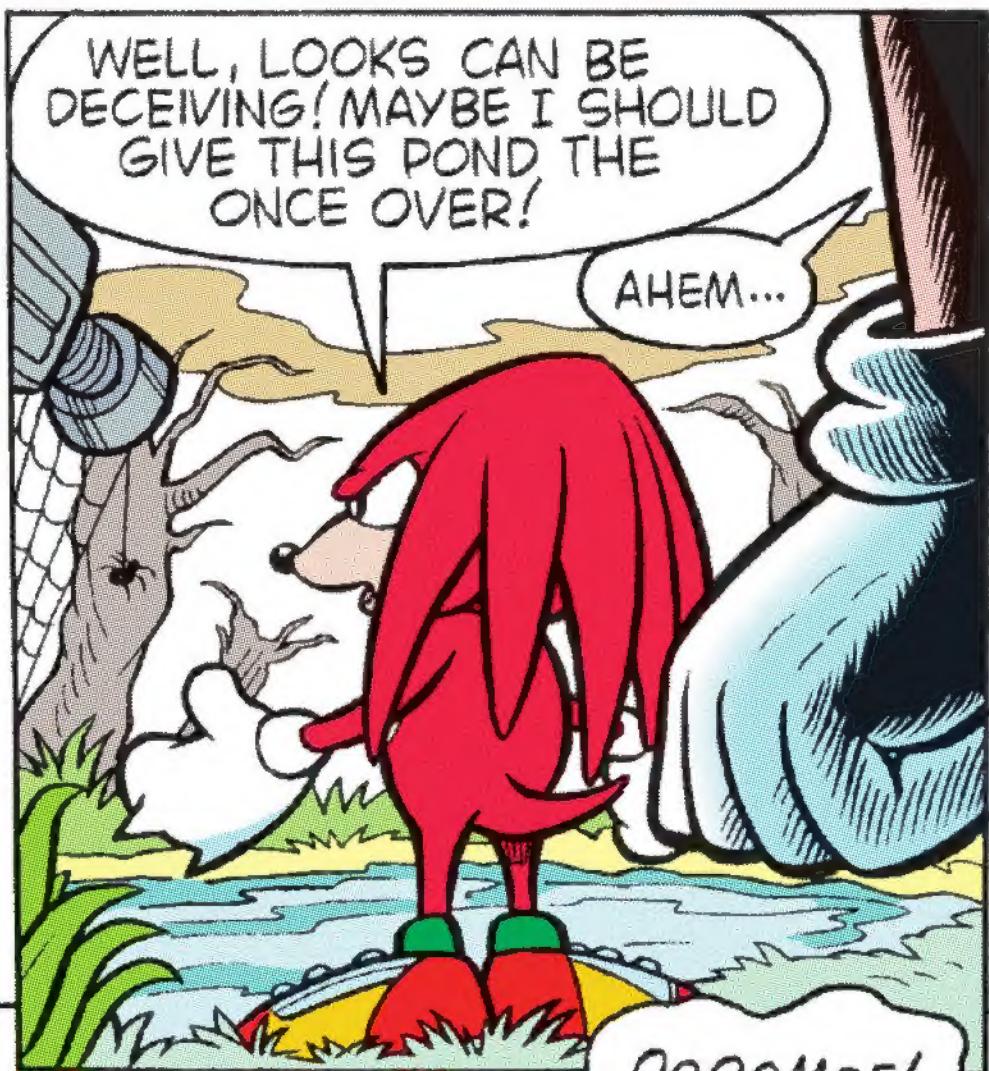
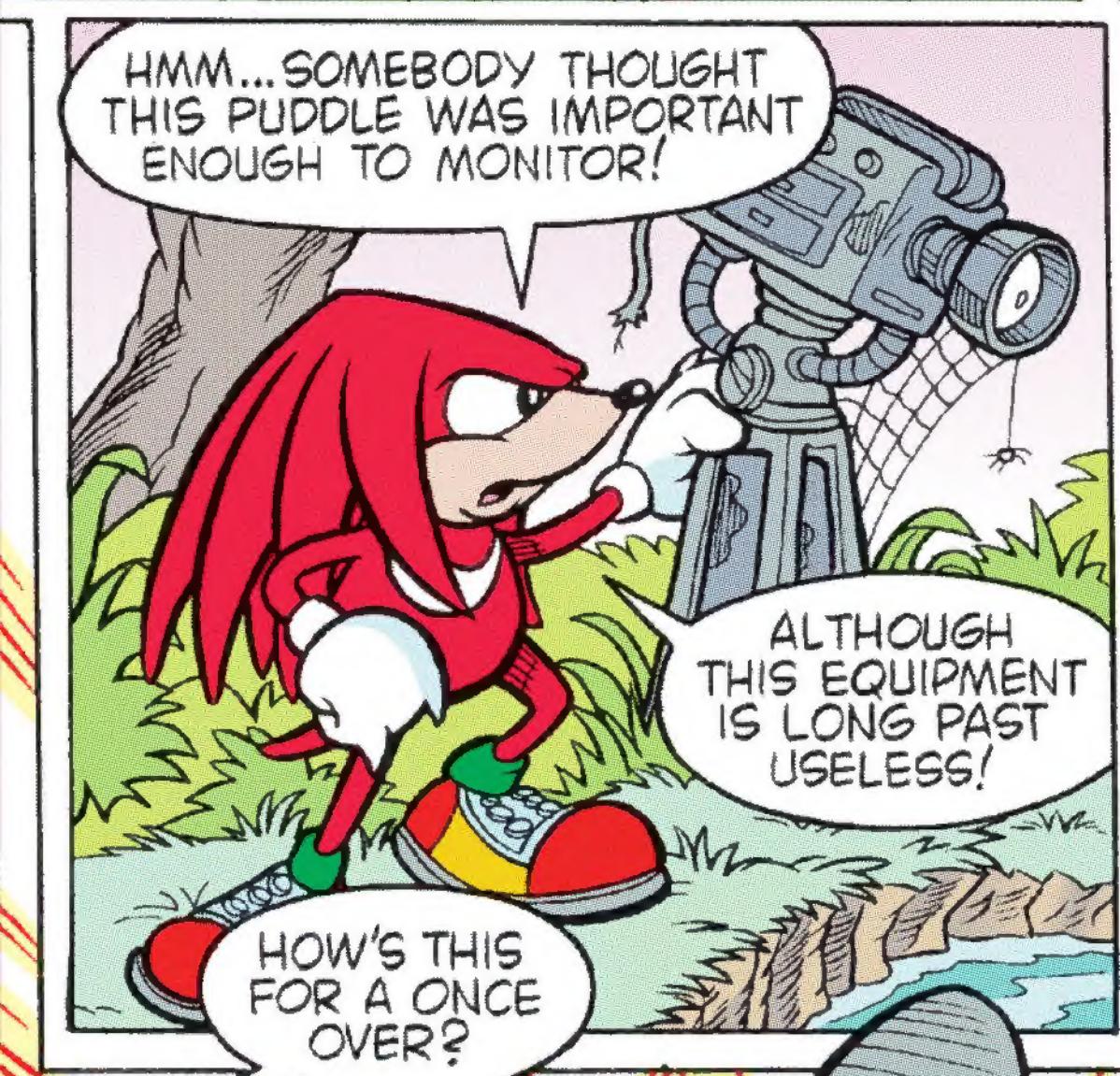
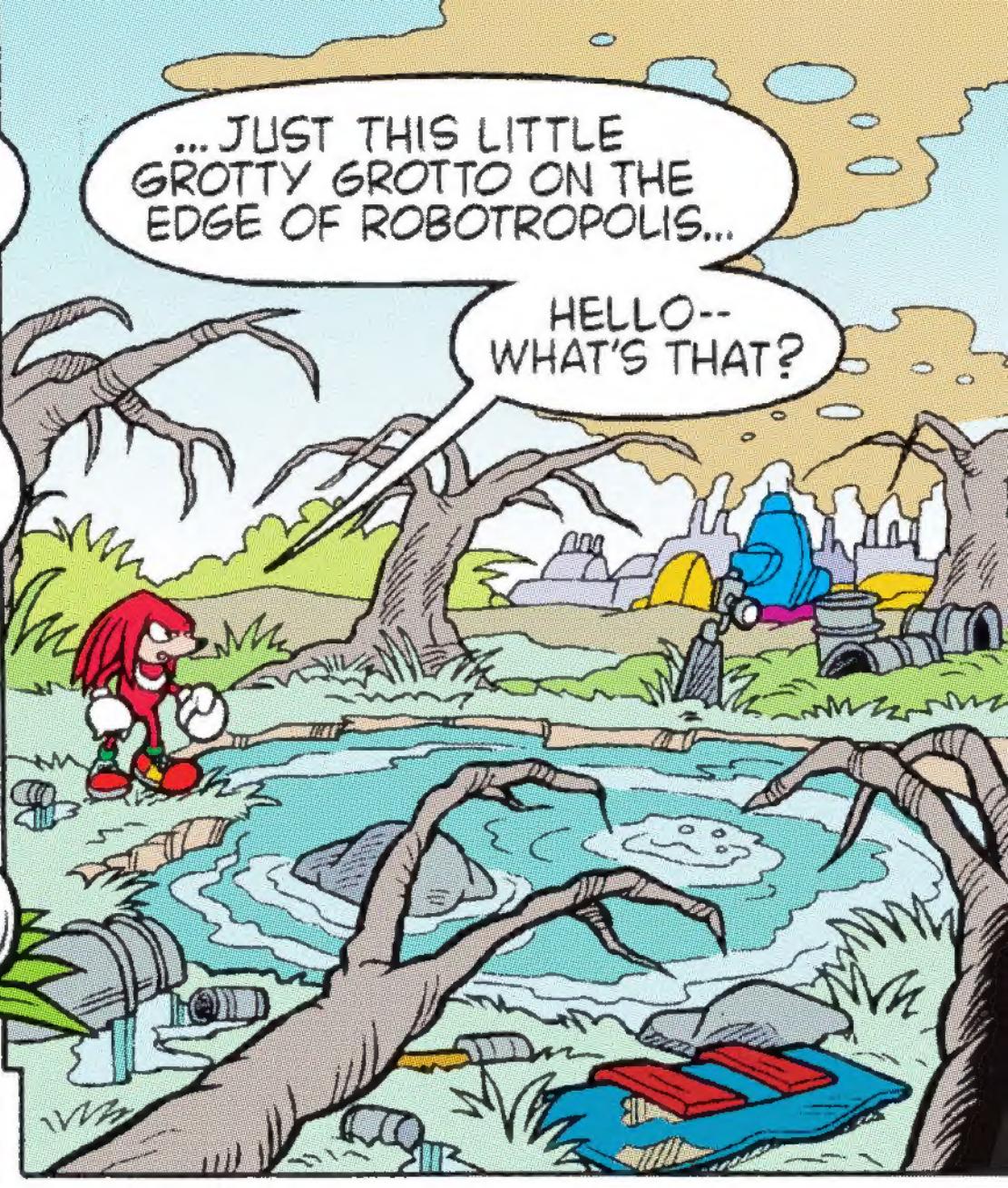
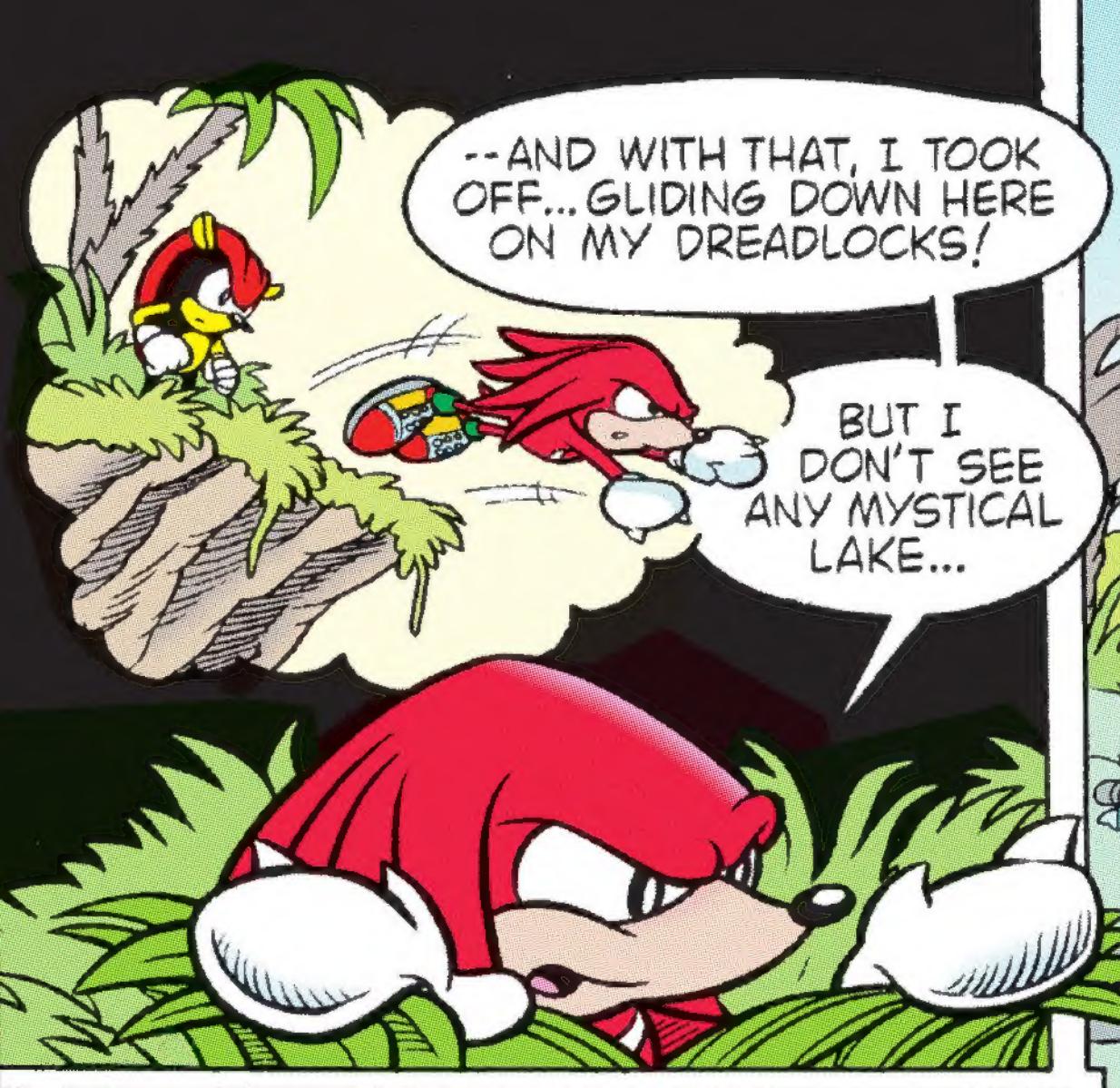
YOU KNOW THAT SONIC THE HEDGEHOG BATTLES A VILLAIN CALLED ROBOTNIK WHO LIVES IN A RADIOACTIVE CITY CALLED ROBOTROPOLIS!

SO?

SO, WHAT IF THE SOURCE OF THE RADIATION ISN'T POLLUTION? MAYBE THE LAKE OF RINGS IS NEARBY! AND WHERE THERE'S RINGS, THERE COULD BE CHAOS EMERALDS!!!

I GOTTA KNOW!
MIND THE ISLAND
FOR ME, MIGHTY!

DON'T WORRY!
MY MATCHLESS
STRENGTH WILL
KEEP IT
SAFE!



SONIC THE HEDGEHOG™

KNUCKLES THE ECHIDNA

in CRASH OF THE

TITANS

SO... YOU'RE
LOOKIN' FOR A
BRAWL, EH?

FLIP!

PART II

I'D LOVE TO, BUT
FIRST, I'M REQUIRED
TO READ THIS...

"I, PRINCESS SALLY--
BLA-BLA-BLA--" LEGAL
DEPARTMENT REQUIRES--
YAK-YAK--"OFFER YOU
NON-VIOLENT DISCUSSION
--ON AND ON..."

HERE'S WHAT YOU
CAN DO WITH YOUR
LEGAL DEPARTMENT!

snarl...

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OKAY, REDBONE...
YOU ASKED
FOR IT!...

C'MON,
LITTLE BOY
BLUE...I'M
STANDING
HERE!

NOT FOR
LONG...

THIS IS MY FIGURE
EIGHT MOVE!* HOW
DO YOU LIKE IT?

VVMM

WOO-HA! HE'S
STILL MOVING!

I'LL
CIRCLE THIS
TREE AND WHACK
HIM AGAIN!

I SEE THE ROUTE
YOU'RE TAKING, HOG...

*WHICH SONIC FIRST USED IN
ISSUE #25 TO DEFEAT MECHA-
SONIC -- Mecha EDITOR

(8)

...BUT THIS
ROOT CREATES A
ROADBLOCK!

THE TREE--
MOVING SIDEWAYS--
OWF!

THOK!

STONK

STUCK IN THE
TREE? I ALWAYS
SAID YOU WERE
A LITTLE SAP!

MMMF! AW,
PUT A SOCK IN
IT, KNUCKLES!

YOU PUT A
SOCK IN IT! I
VISIT A PUBLIC
PLACE AND YOU
AMBUSH ME!

NNNHH!

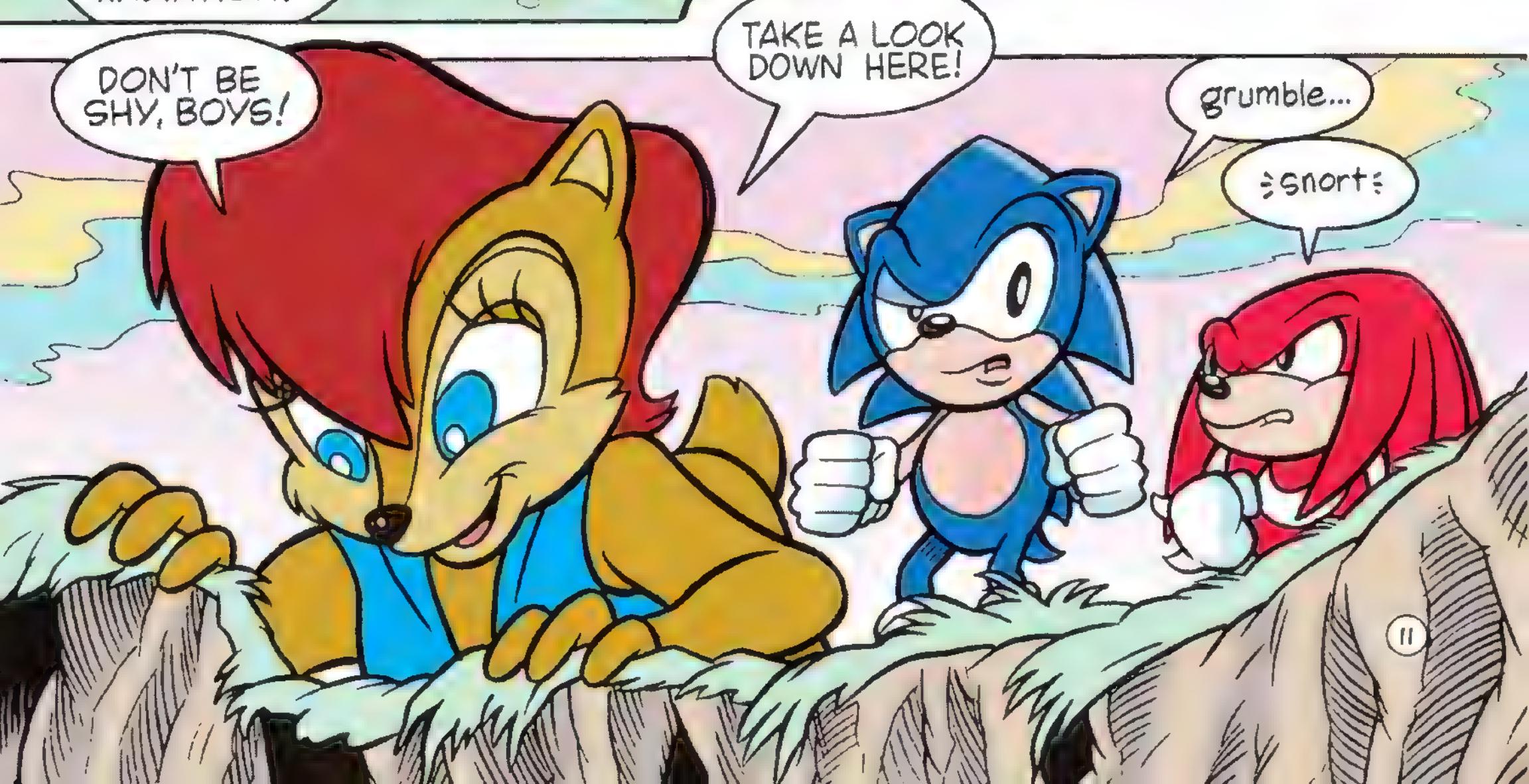
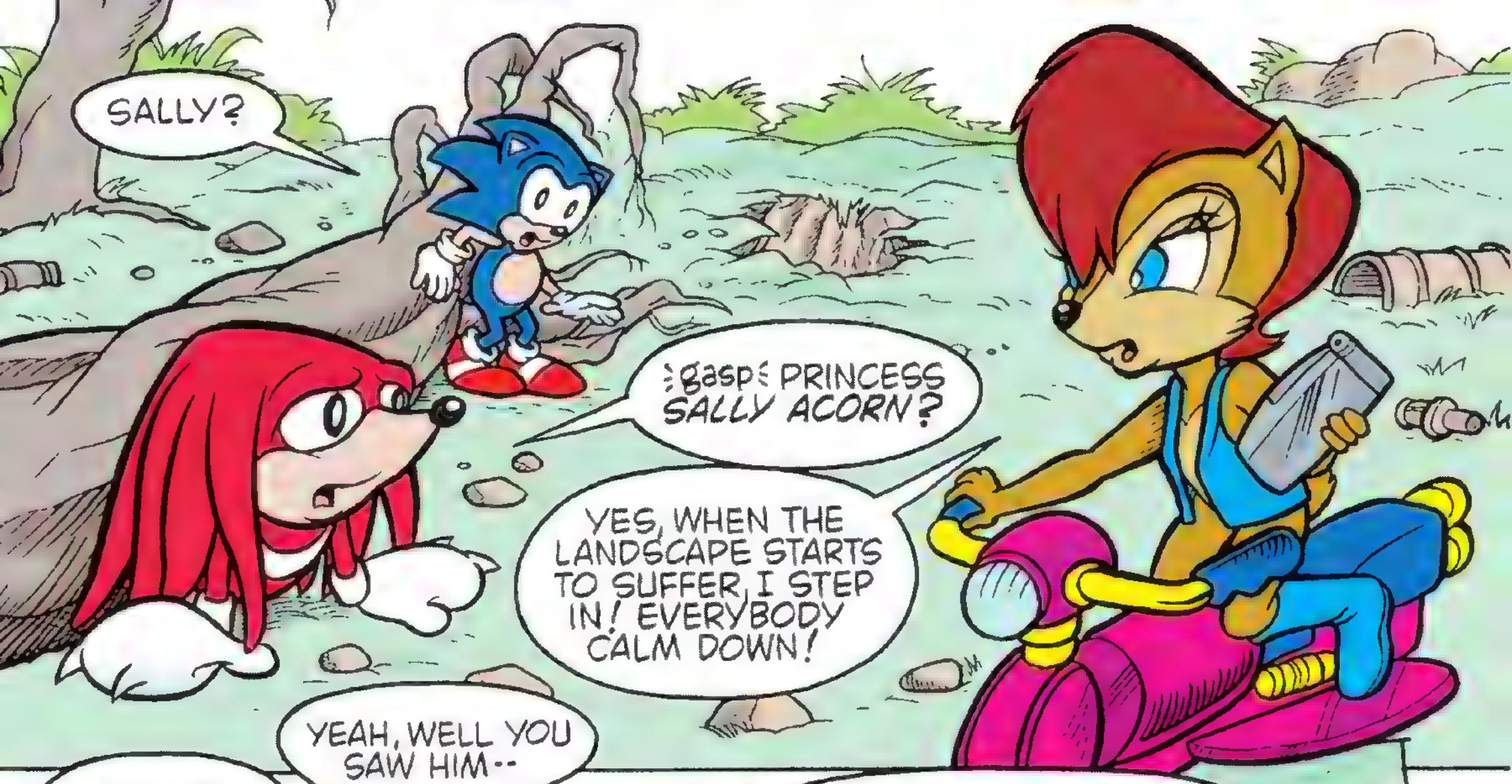
BY YANKING
THE TREE BY THE
ROOTS, HE
LOOSENED IT...

TIMBER!

WHUMP!

AGH!!

HOLD IT RIGHT
THERE -- BOTH
OF YOU!



SONIC & KNUCKLES

in

CRASH OF THE TITANS

CHECK IT OUT...
IT'S A GATEWAY TO AN
UNKNOWN ZONE!*

PART III

MAJOR!

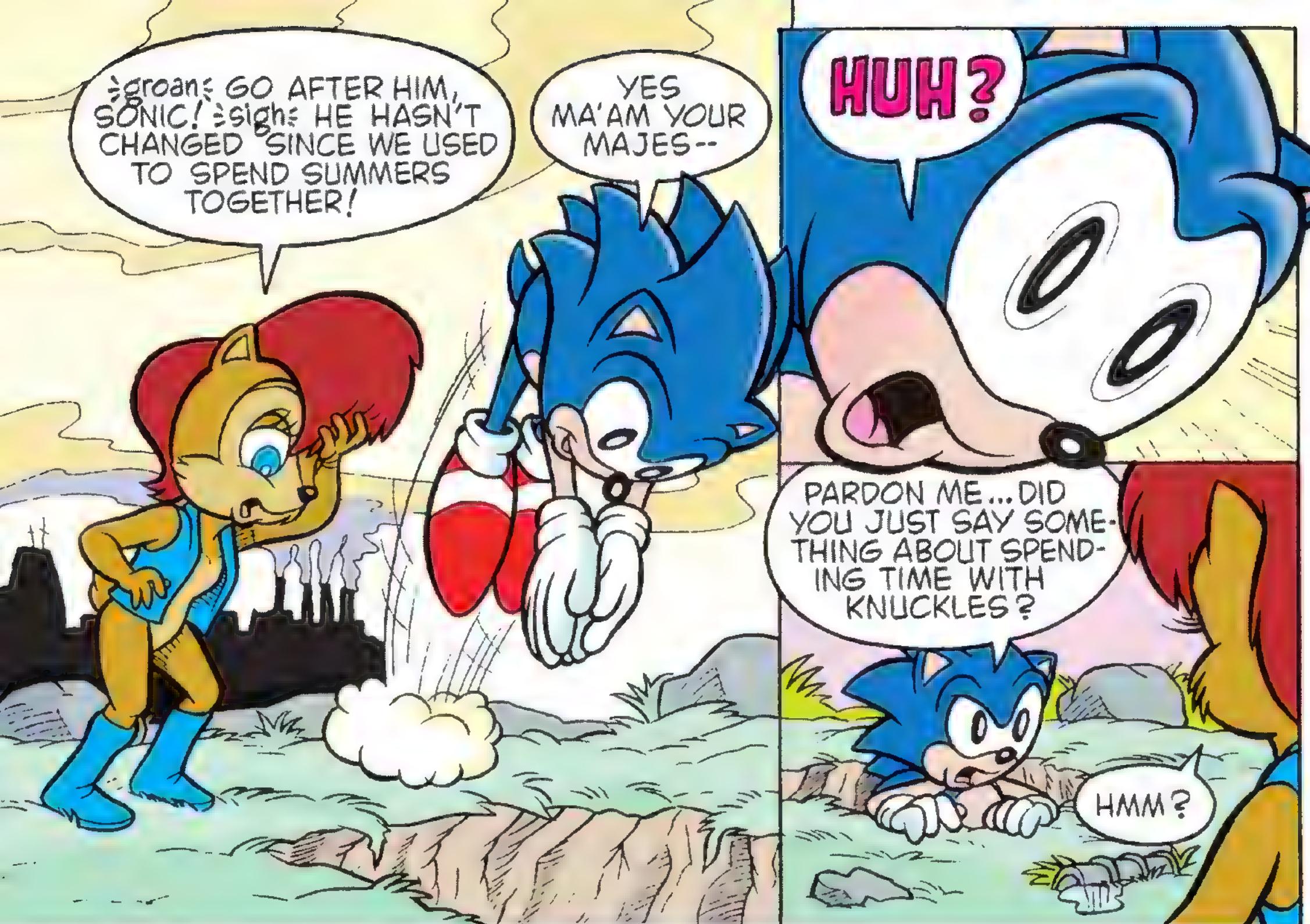
* THE SAME TYPE OF ACTION ZONES
FOUND IN ALL SONIC GAMES--EDITOR

LOOK AT IT...
SWIMMING WITH
MAGIC RINGS AND
CHAOS EMERALDS!

KNUCKLES-- WAIT!

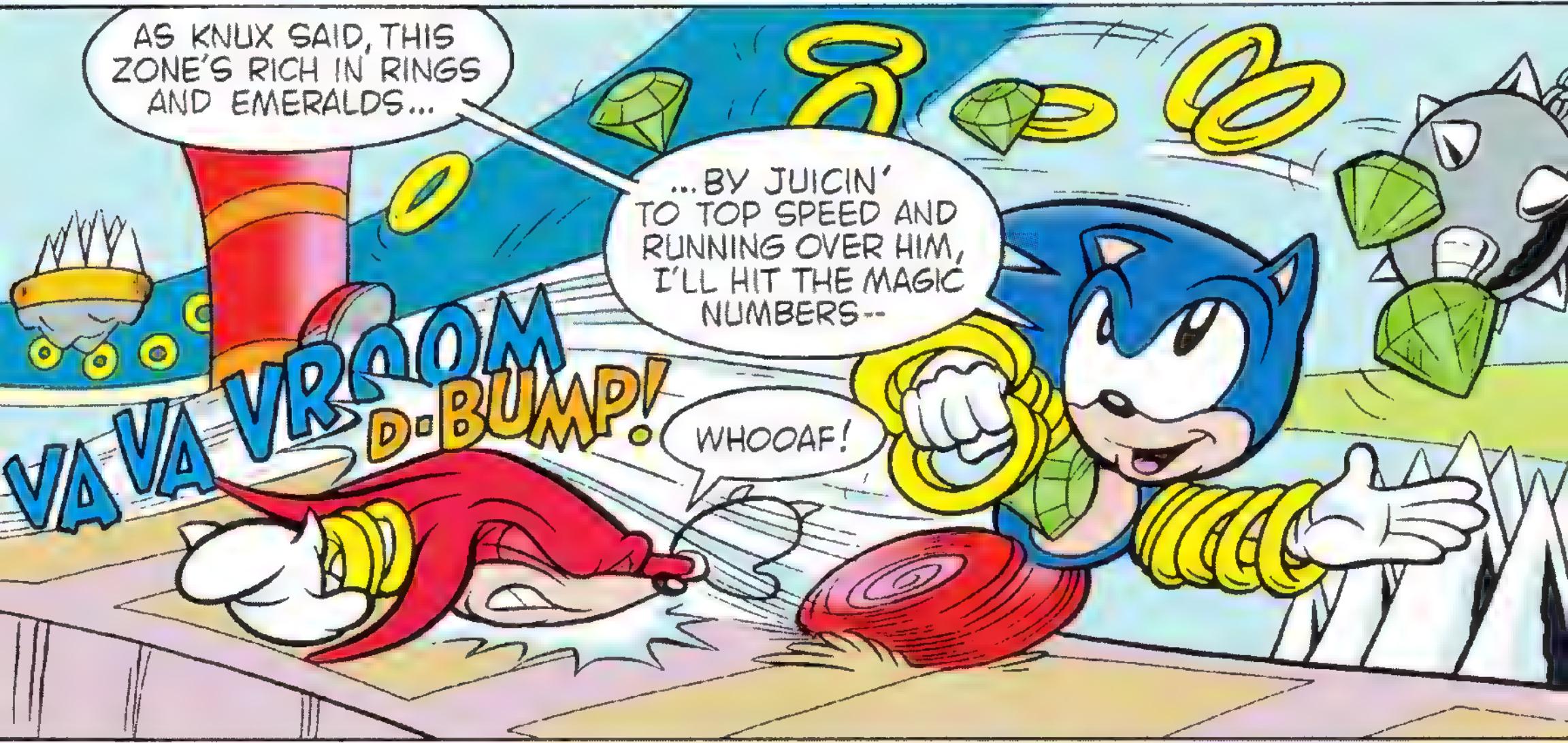
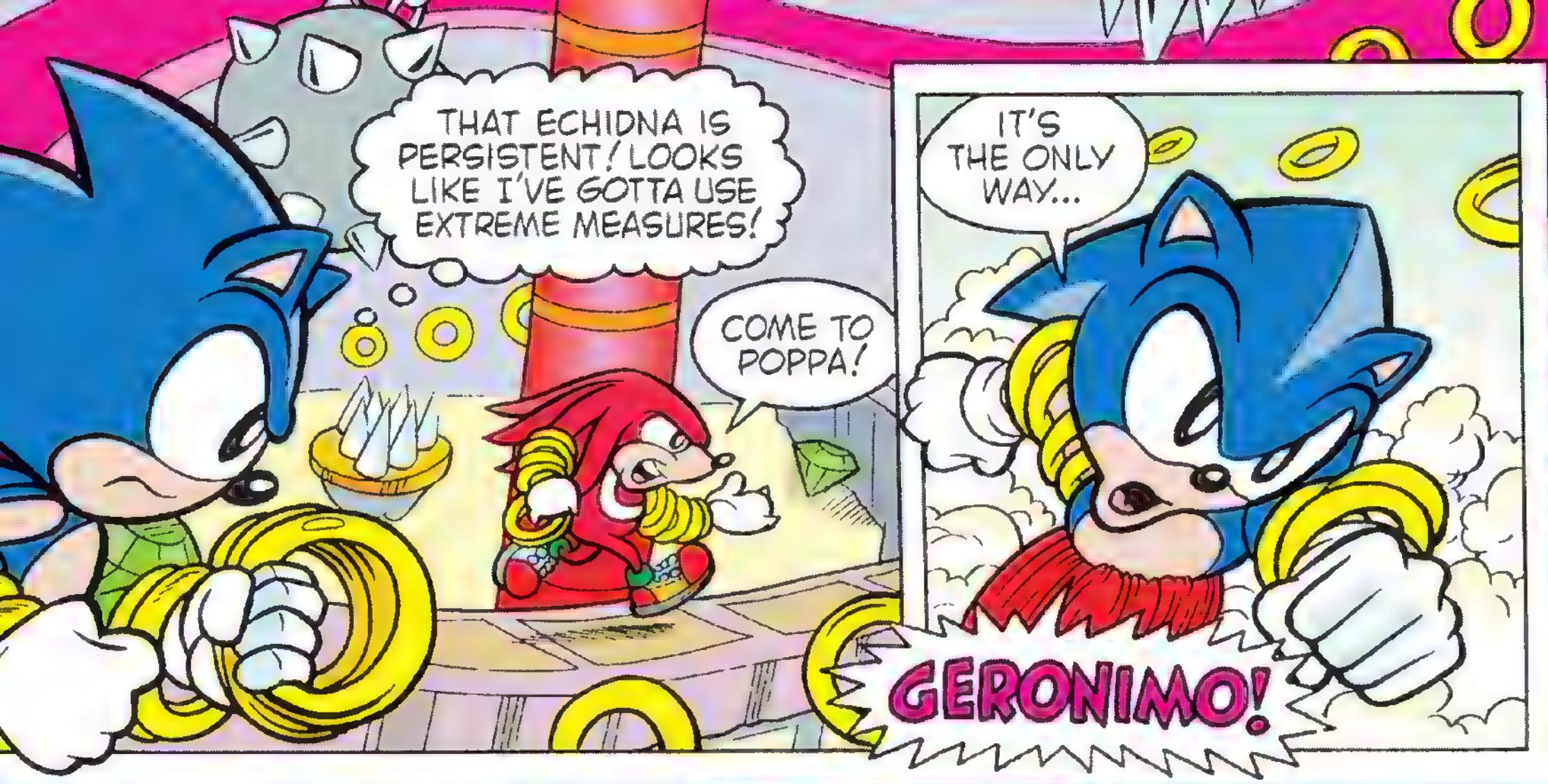
SORRY, SALLY--
I'M GOING FOR IT!

HEY! YOU
ROTTEN--



GIVE IT UP, KNUCKLEBRAIN!
YOU GOT A HEAD START, BUT
I'M FASTER THAN YOU!

BLOW IT OUT
YOUR SNEAKERS, YOU
BLUE BOZO!!! I'M PICKING
THIS JOINT CLEAN!



...CHANGING ME INTO...

SUPER SONIC!

gulp!

CRACKLE

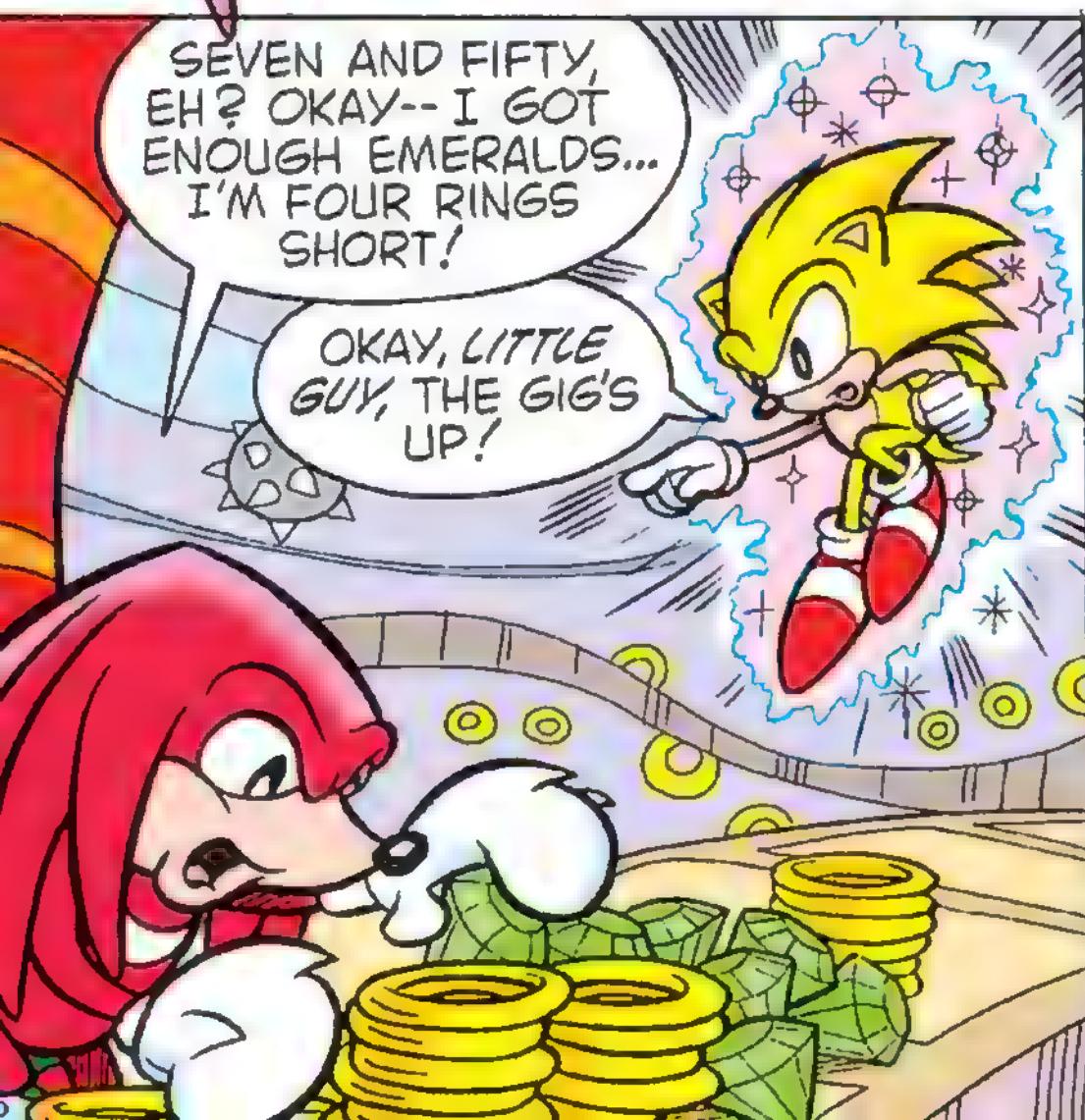
*IT HAPPENED ONCE BEFORE...IN STH #4 -EDITOR

SEVEN AND FIFTY,
EH? OKAY-- I GOT
ENOUGH EMERALDS...
I'M FOUR RINGS
SHORT!

OKAY, LITTLE
GUY, THE GIG'S
UP!

YOUR UNCONDITIONAL
SURRENDER WILL BE--
HEY!

MAKE THAT--
THREE ...
TWO ...
ONE ...
BINGO!



STEP ASIDE,
SUCKER! MAKE
WAY FOR--

**HYPER
KNUCKLES™!**

ZZZBOOM!

IMPOSTER!
COPYCAT!

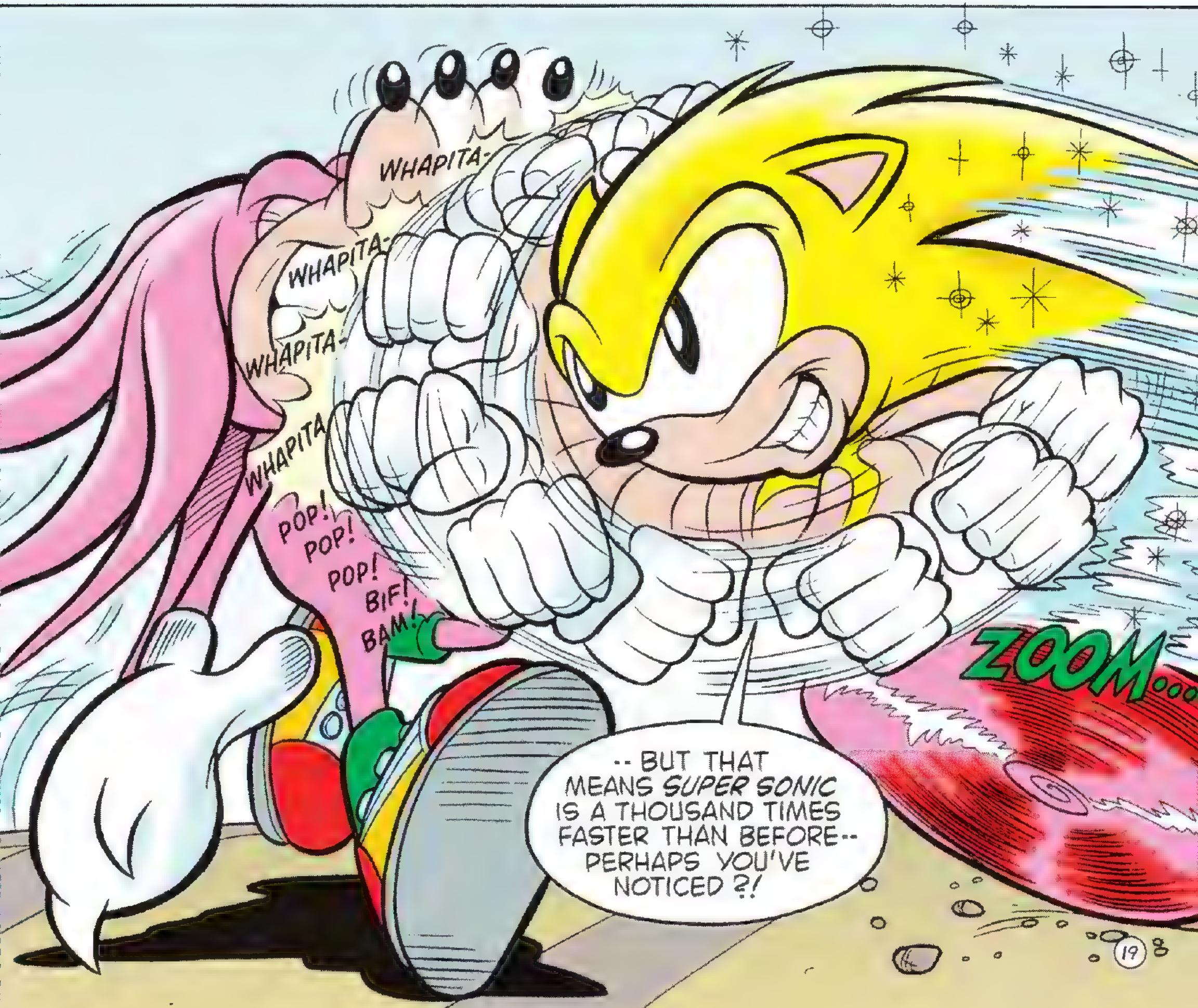
YOUR POWERS
CAN'T COMPARE
TO MINE!

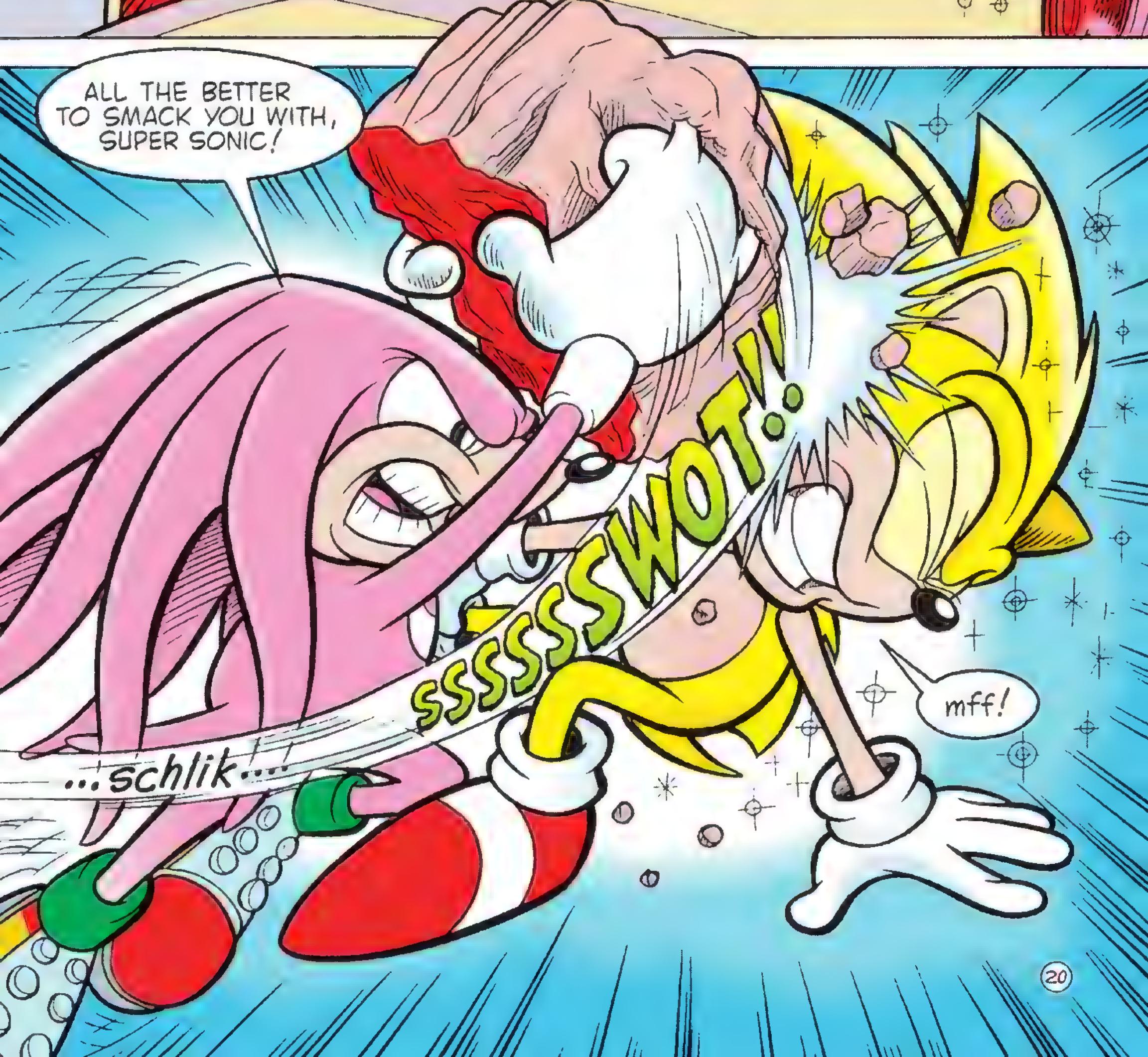
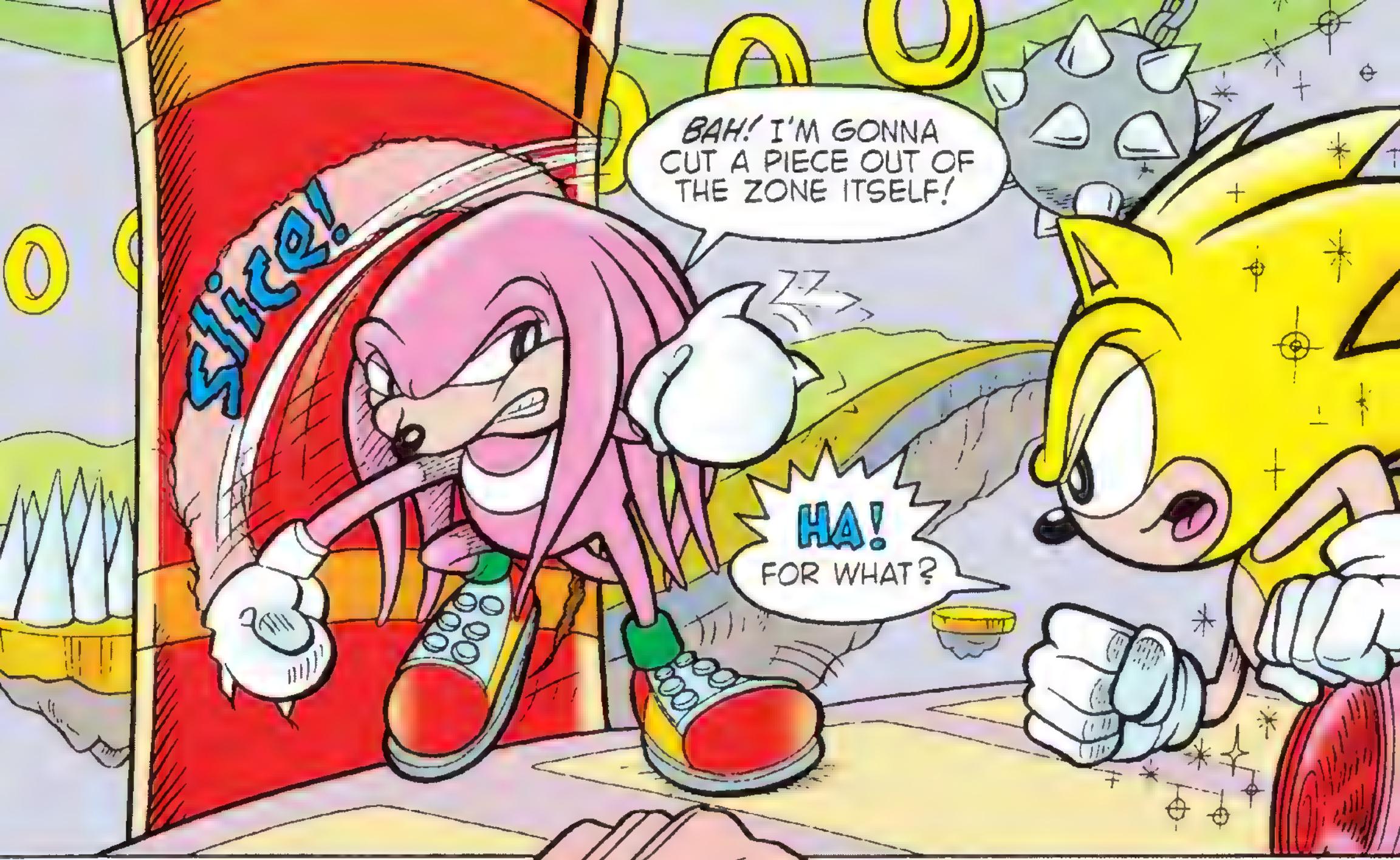
YOU TALK TOO
MUCH, SUPERHOG!

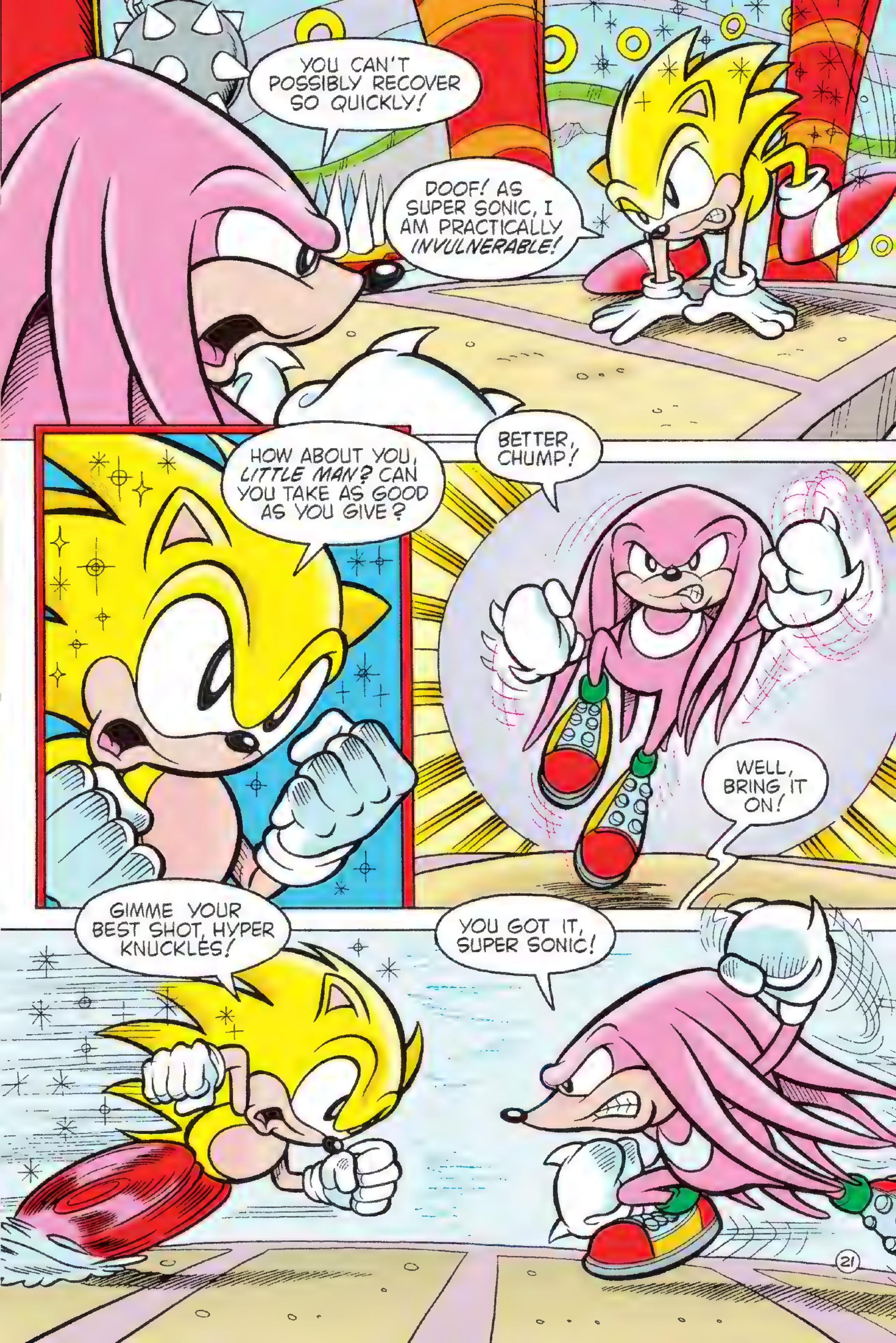
SO I'M GONNA
SUPERSHUT YOU UP
ONCE AND FOR ALL!

FNWHAM!

GNYAAA...







SONIC

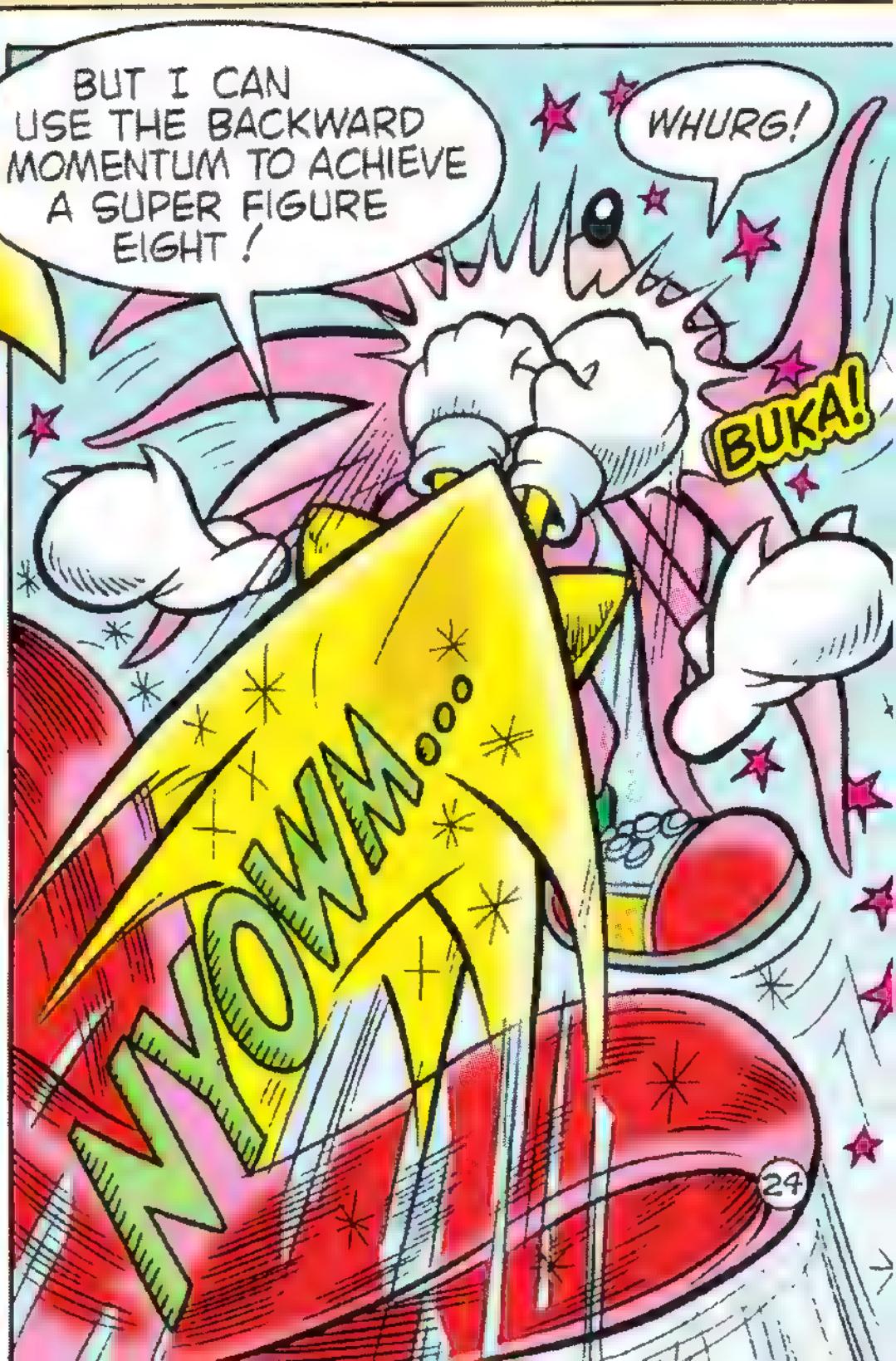
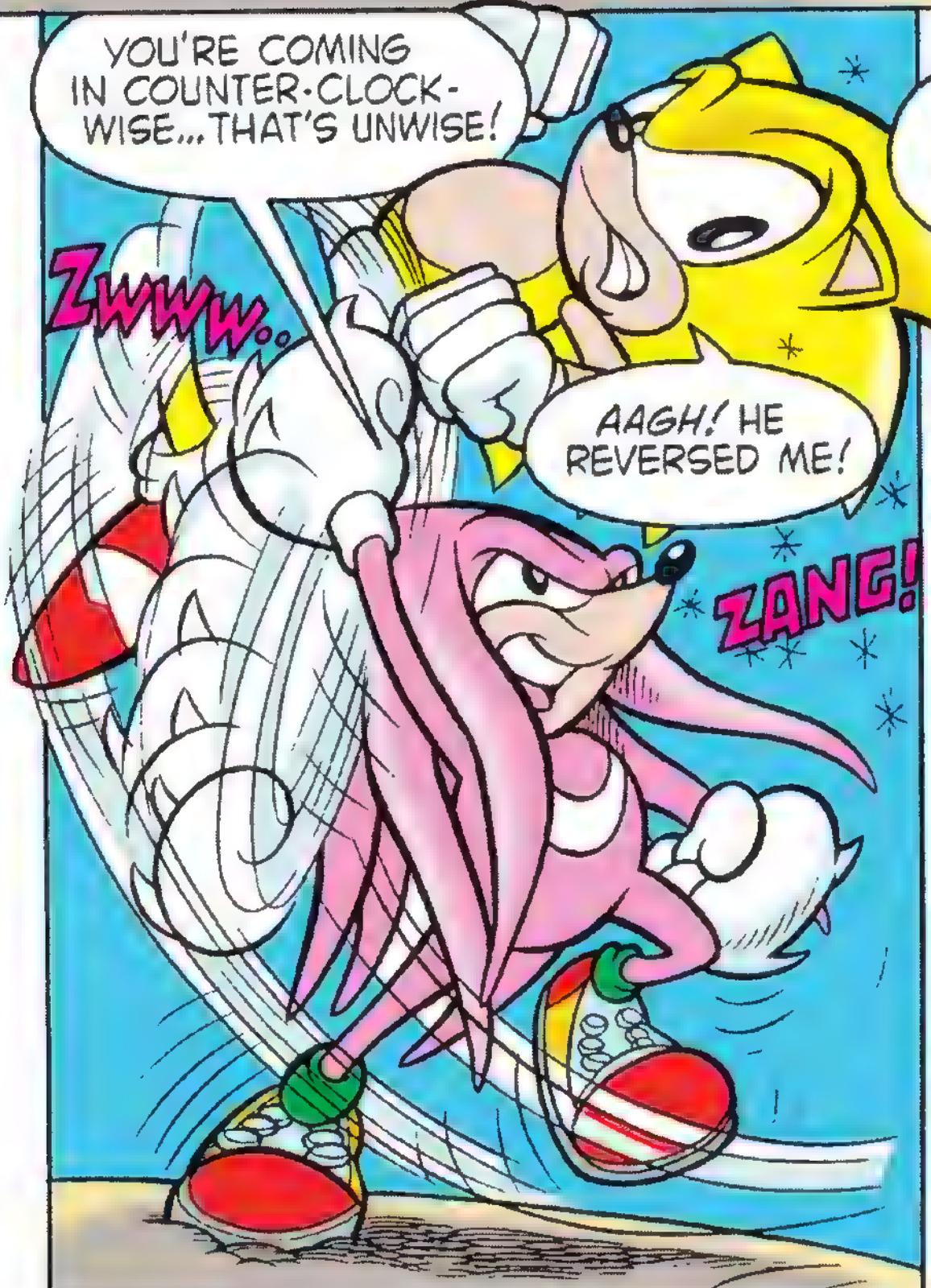
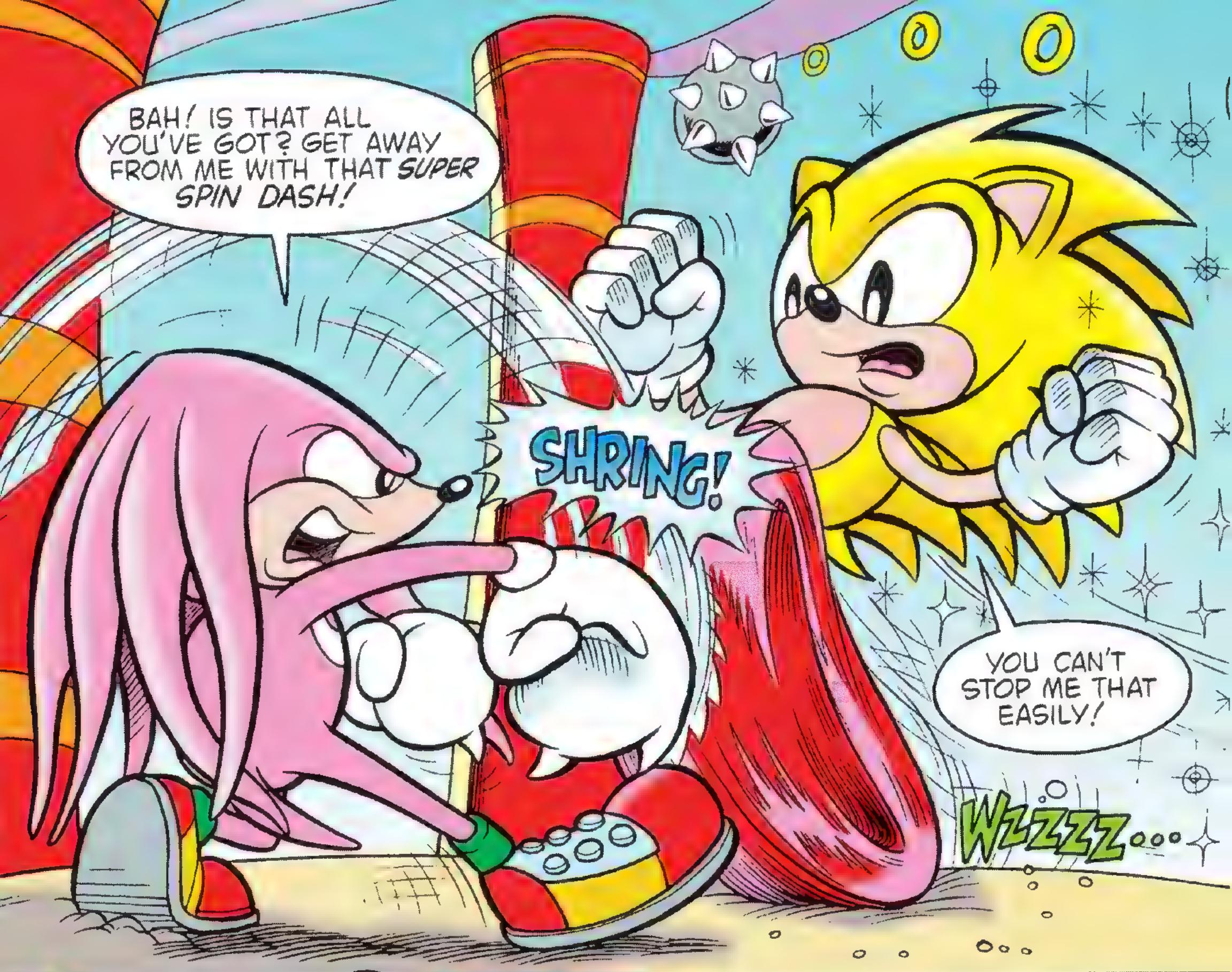
VS

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PART IV

2 PAGE
PINUP!



AND I CAN USE
MY WHIRLING FISTS
LIKE WHEELS... AND MY
FEET LIKE FEET!

KLOP!

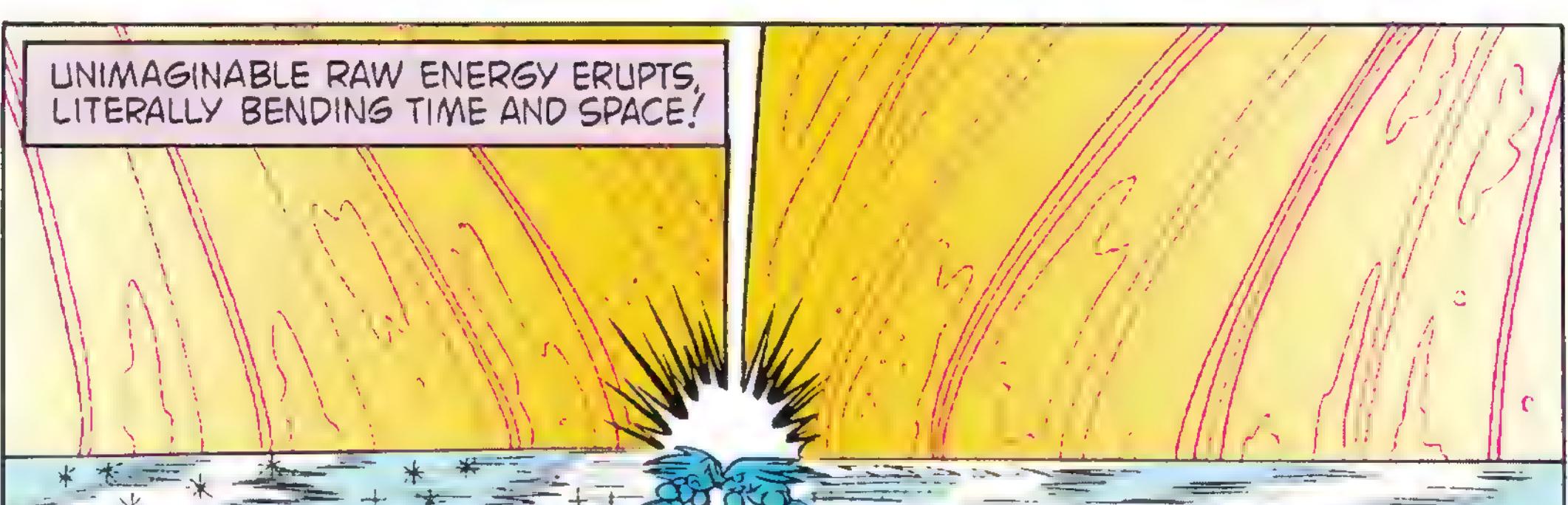
WFFF!

THAT DID IT!
I'M OVER THE
EDGE!!!

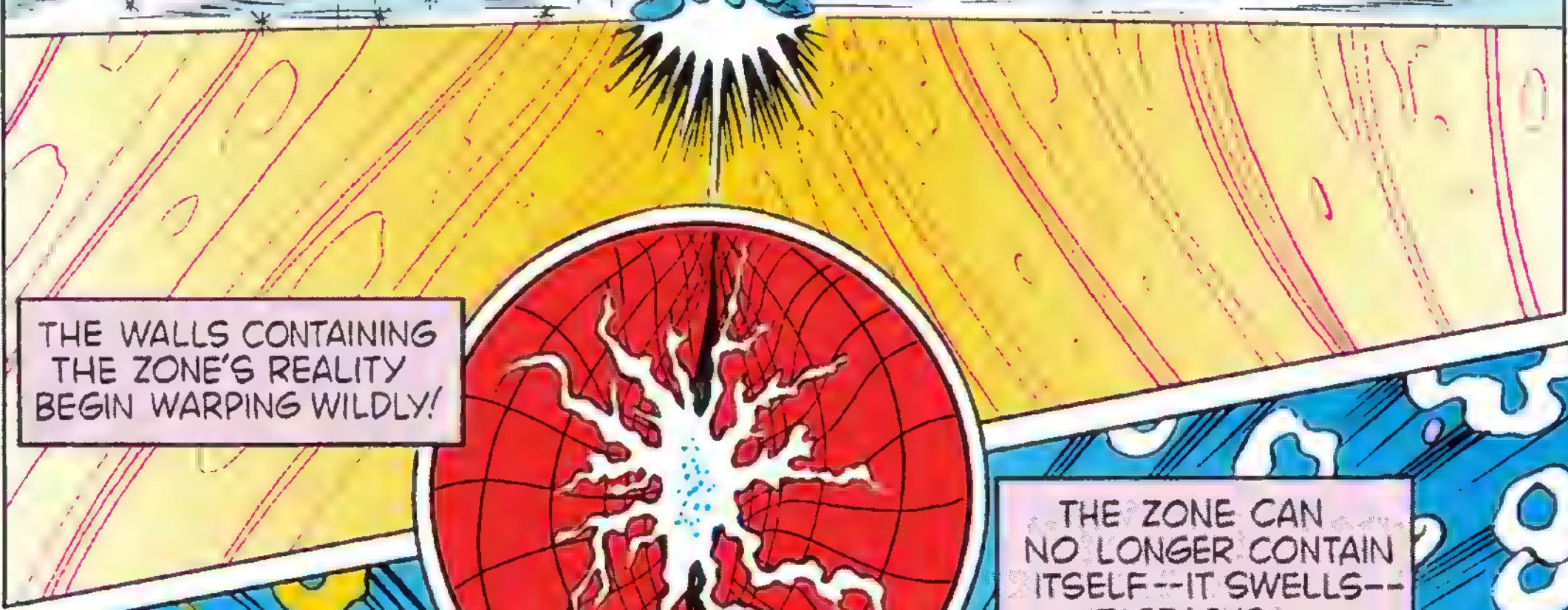
I'M ALREADY
THERE! LET'S
RUMBLE!

THE TWO COMBATANTS
HURLE TOWARD EACH OTHER
AT INCALCULABLE SPEED...

UNIMAGINABLE RAW ENERGY ERUPTS,
LITERALLY BENDING TIME AND SPACE!

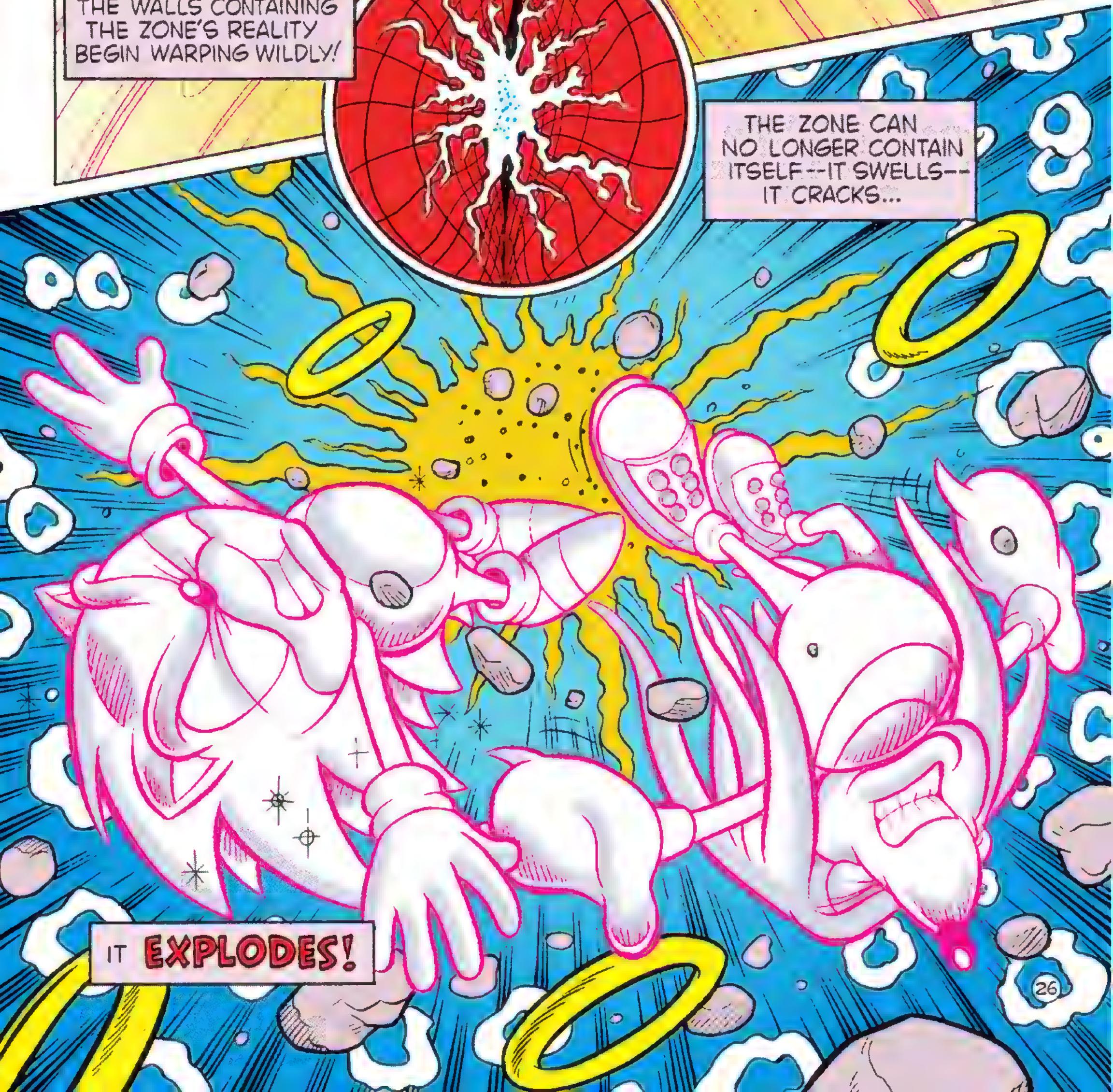


THE WALLS CONTAINING
THE ZONE'S REALITY
BEGIN WARPING WILDLY!



THE ZONE CAN
NO LONGER CONTAIN
ITSELF -- IT SWELLS--
IT CRACKS...

IT EXPLODES!



NEARBY...

MY LORD OF LARD...
IT IS AN EARTHQUAKE!

ENERGY OUTPUT READINGS ARE
OFF THE SCALE! DISPERSION OF
CONTENTS IRRETRIEVABLE!

NO, IT'S
SOMETHING QUITE
DIFFERENT...
OBSERVE!

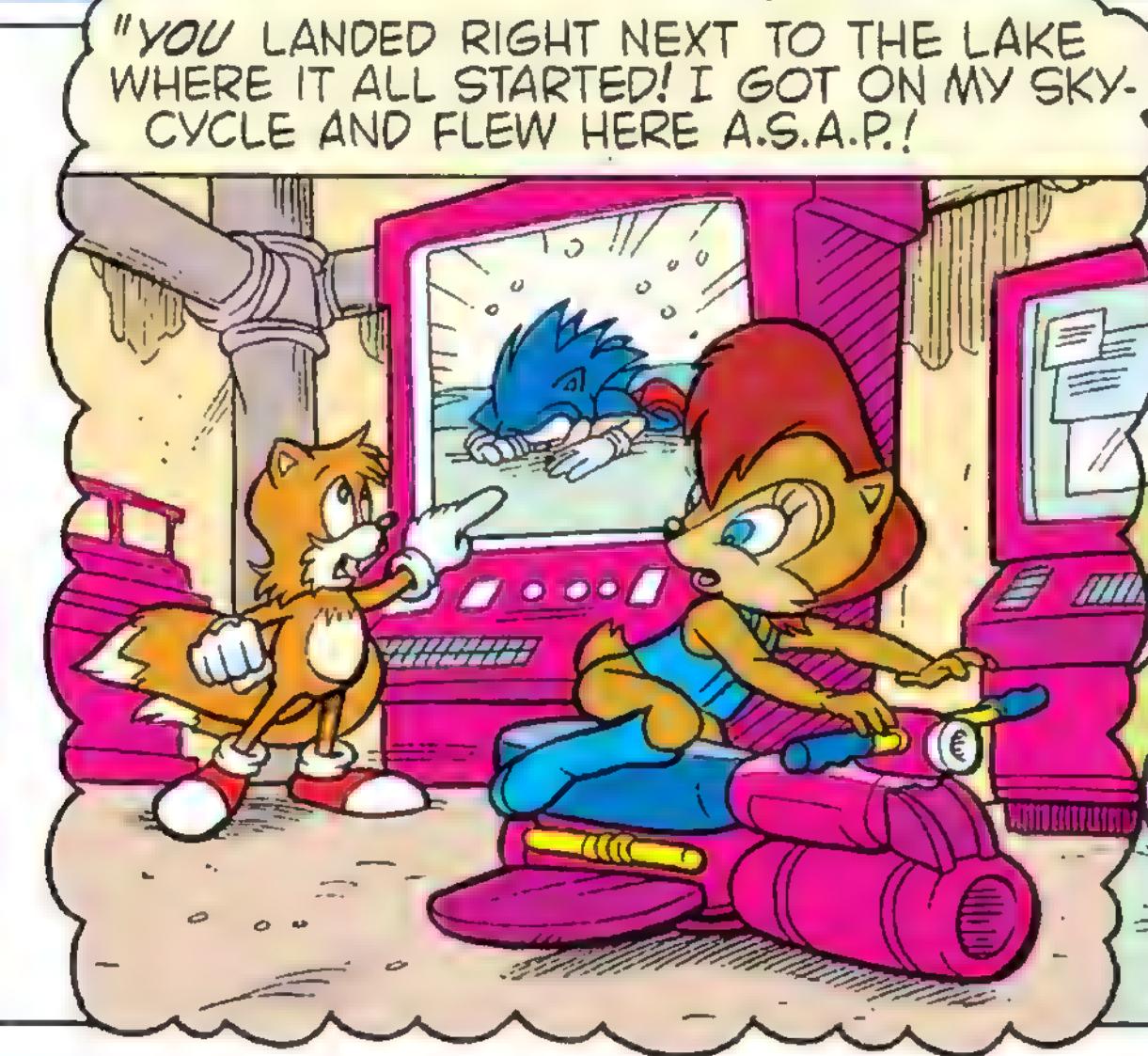
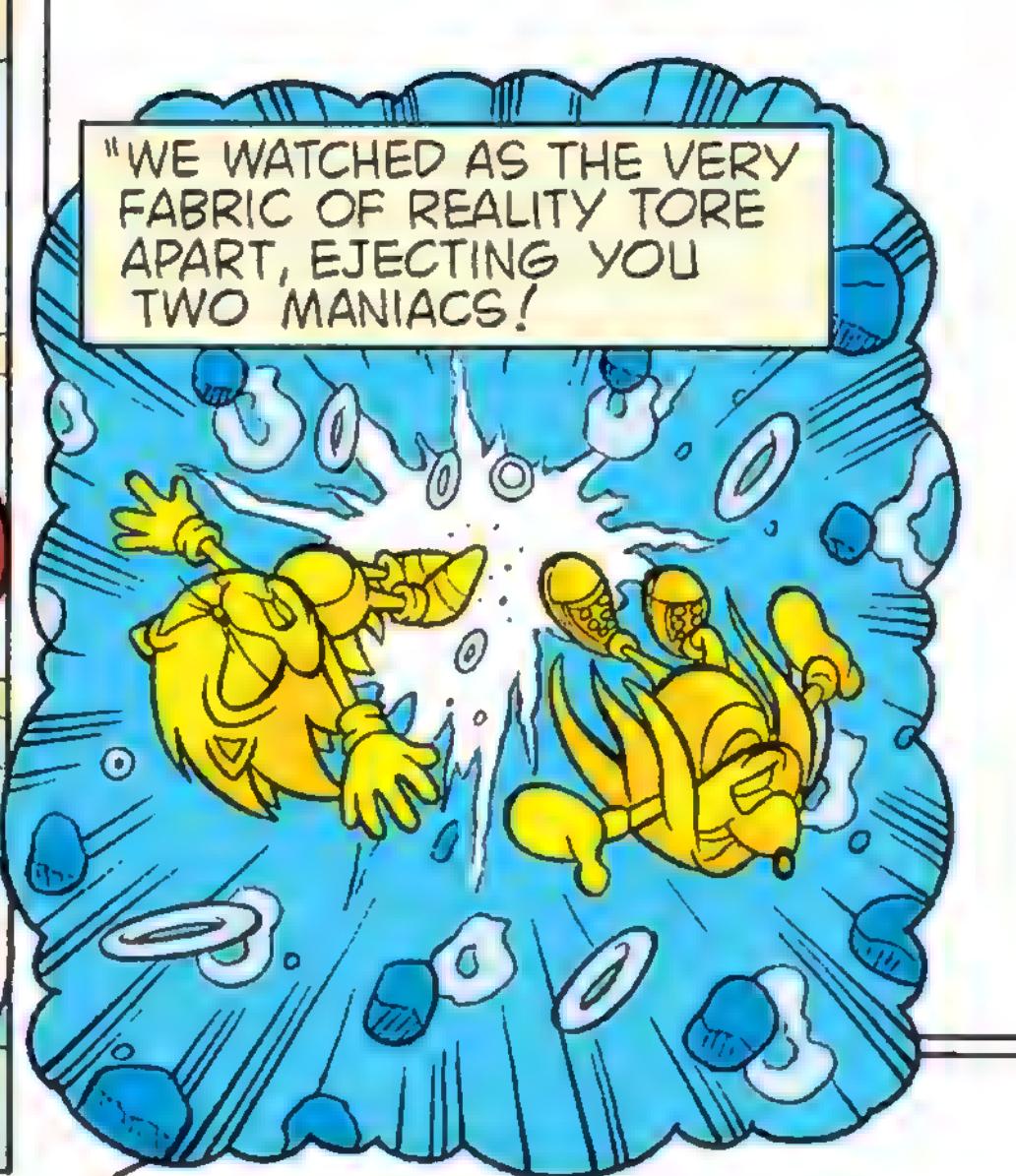
THIS IS
TERRIBLE!

YOU MEAN BECAUSE OF THE
POTENTIAL LOSS OF MAGIC
RINGS AND CHAOS EMERALDS?

NO, I MEAN
BECAUSE THIS IS A
48-PAGE SPECIAL, AND
ALL I GET IS A ONE-PAGE
CAMEO! SOMEONE IS
GOING TO PAY DEARLY
FOR THIS!

CRUNKLE!
GET MY AGENT
ON THE PHONE!

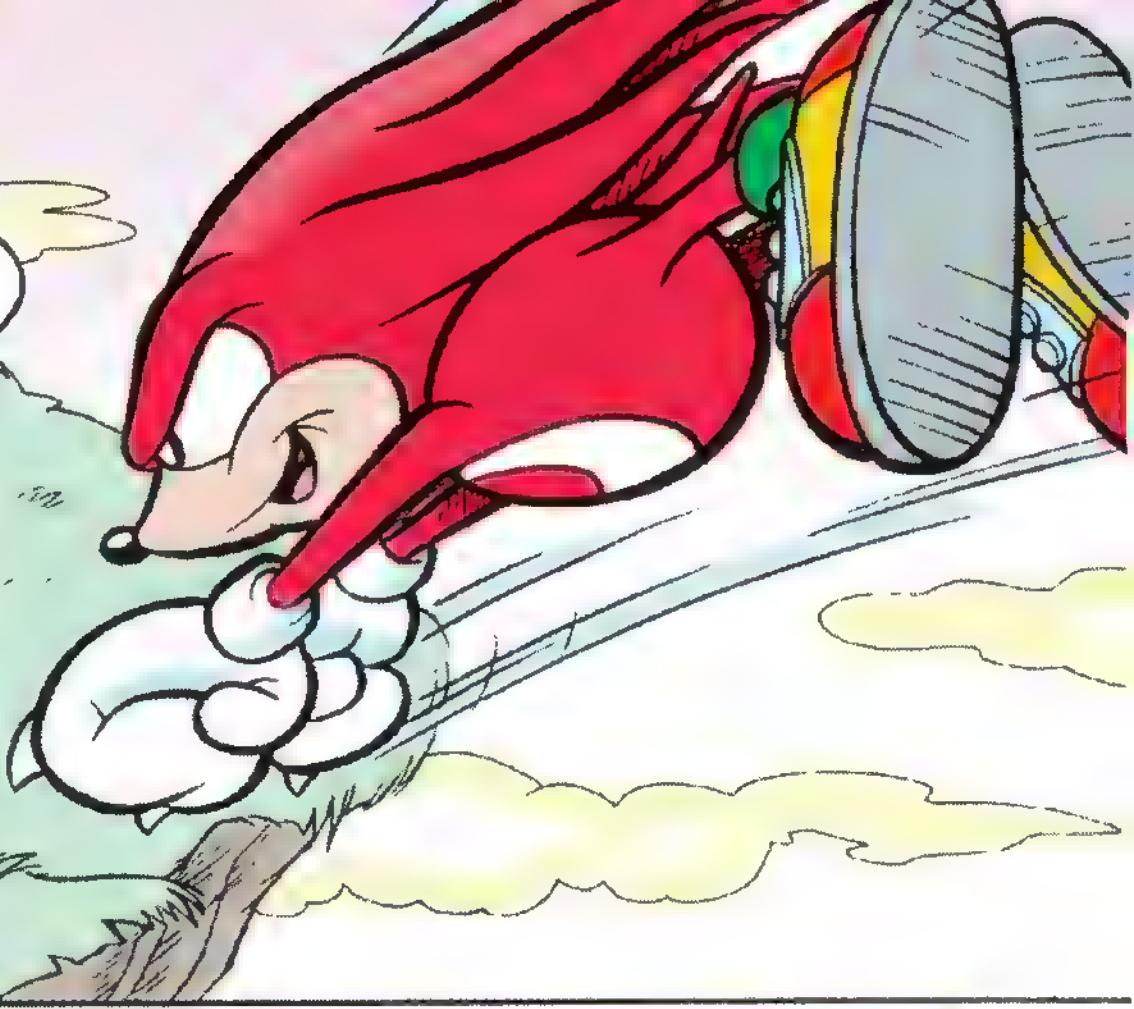




SOME TIME LATER...

WELL, WELL...
LOOK WHO'S HOME!

WHAT'S NEW,
MIGHTY?



YOU ARE, RAD RED! HYPER-KNUCKLES' BATTLE WITH SUPER SONIC IS THE TALK OF THE ISLAND!

OH
REALLY?



YEAH! THEY SAY YOU TORE EACH OTHER UP! THEY SAY THE ZONE COLLAPSED, TAKING ALL THE RINGS AND EMERALDS WITH IT!

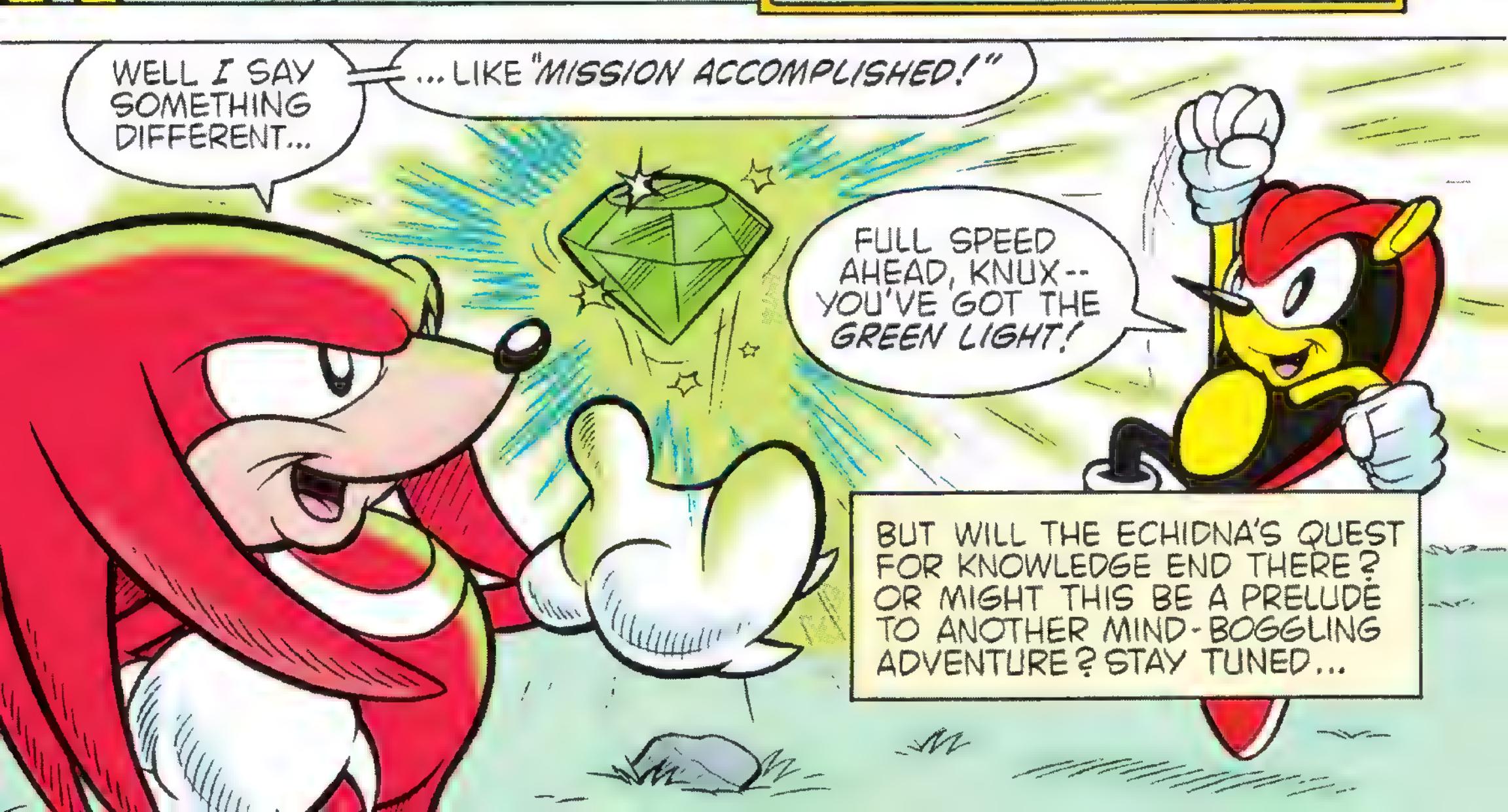
IS THAT
WHAT "THEY"
SAY?



WELL I SAY
SOMETHING
DIFFERENT...

...LIKE "MISSION ACCOMPLISHED!"

FULL SPEED
AHEAD, KNUX--
YOU'VE GOT THE
GREEN LIGHT!



BUT WILL THE ECHIDNA'S QUEST FOR KNOWLEDGE END THERE? OR MIGHT THIS BE A PRELUDE TO ANOTHER MIND-BOGGLING ADVENTURE? STAY TUNED...

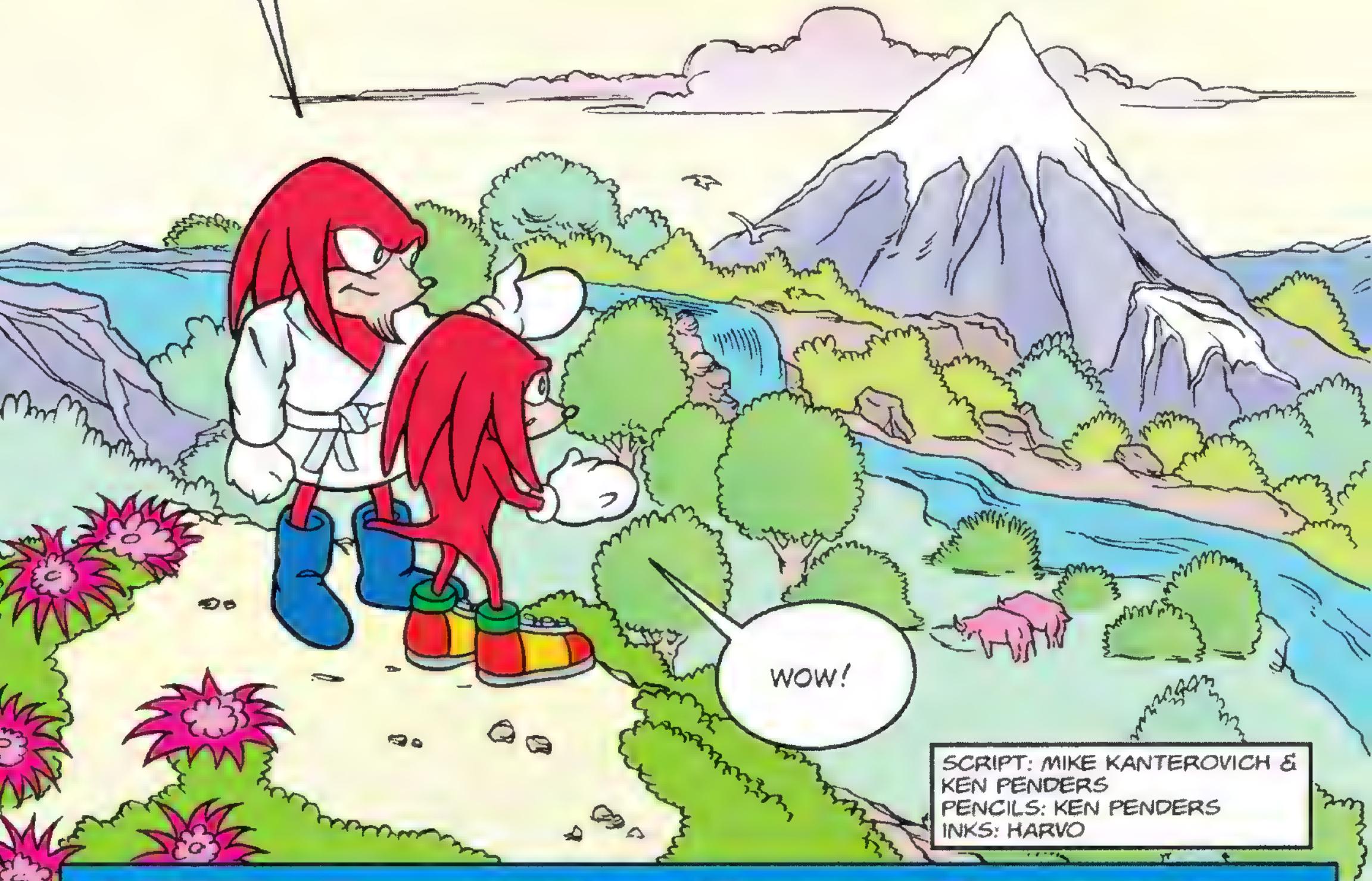
SONIC'S FRIENDLY NEMESIS
KNUCKLES™

**FATHERS
& SONS**

...AND SOME DAY SOON, MY SON, IT'LL FALL ONTO YOUR SHOULDERS--

--THE MANTLE OF GUARDIAN OF THE FLOATING ISLAND--

--AND YOU ALONE WILL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR ALL THAT LIES AROUND YOU!



YES, IT IS AN AWESOME TASK--HANDED DOWN THROUGH THE GENERATIONS FROM OUR ANCESTORS!

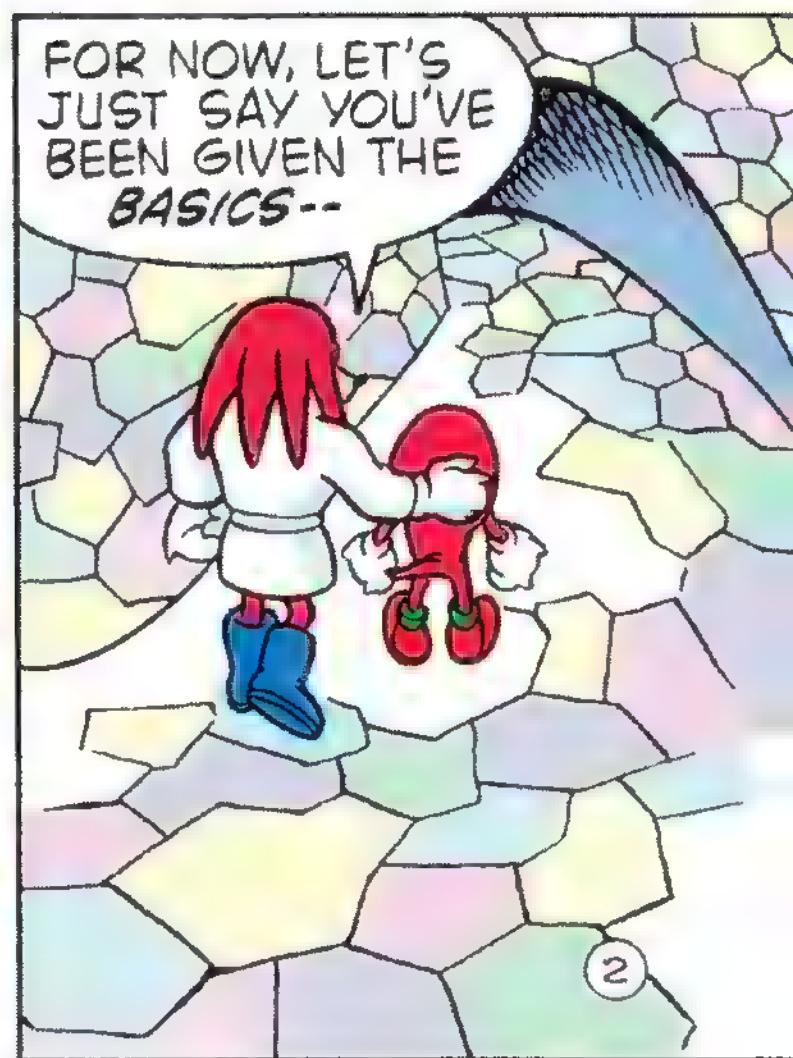
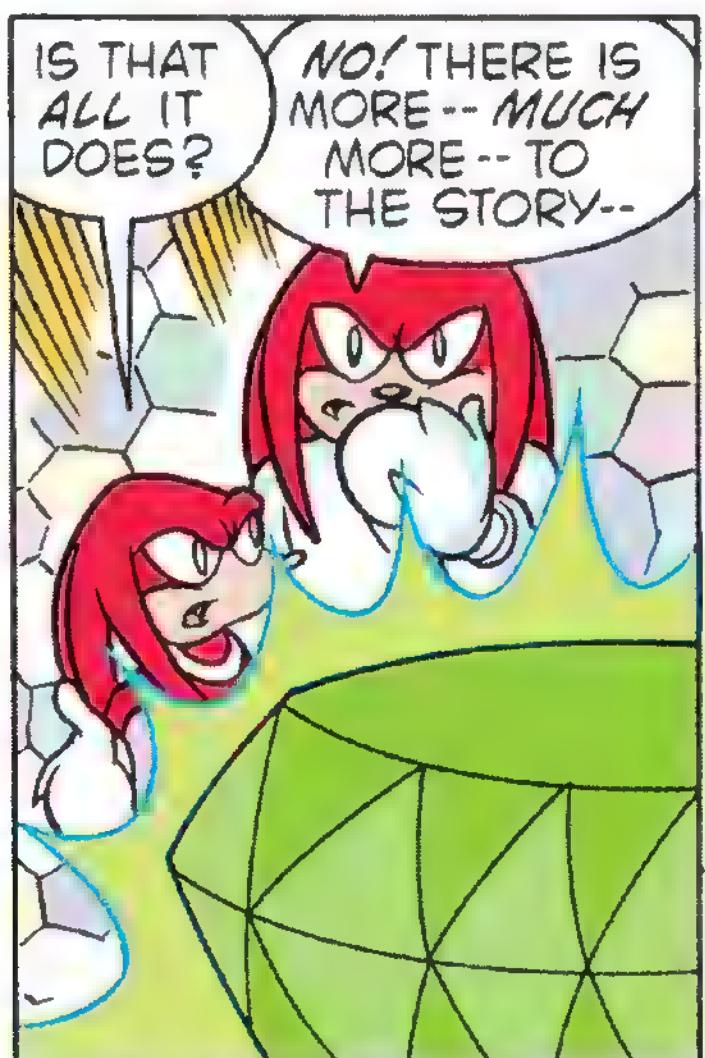
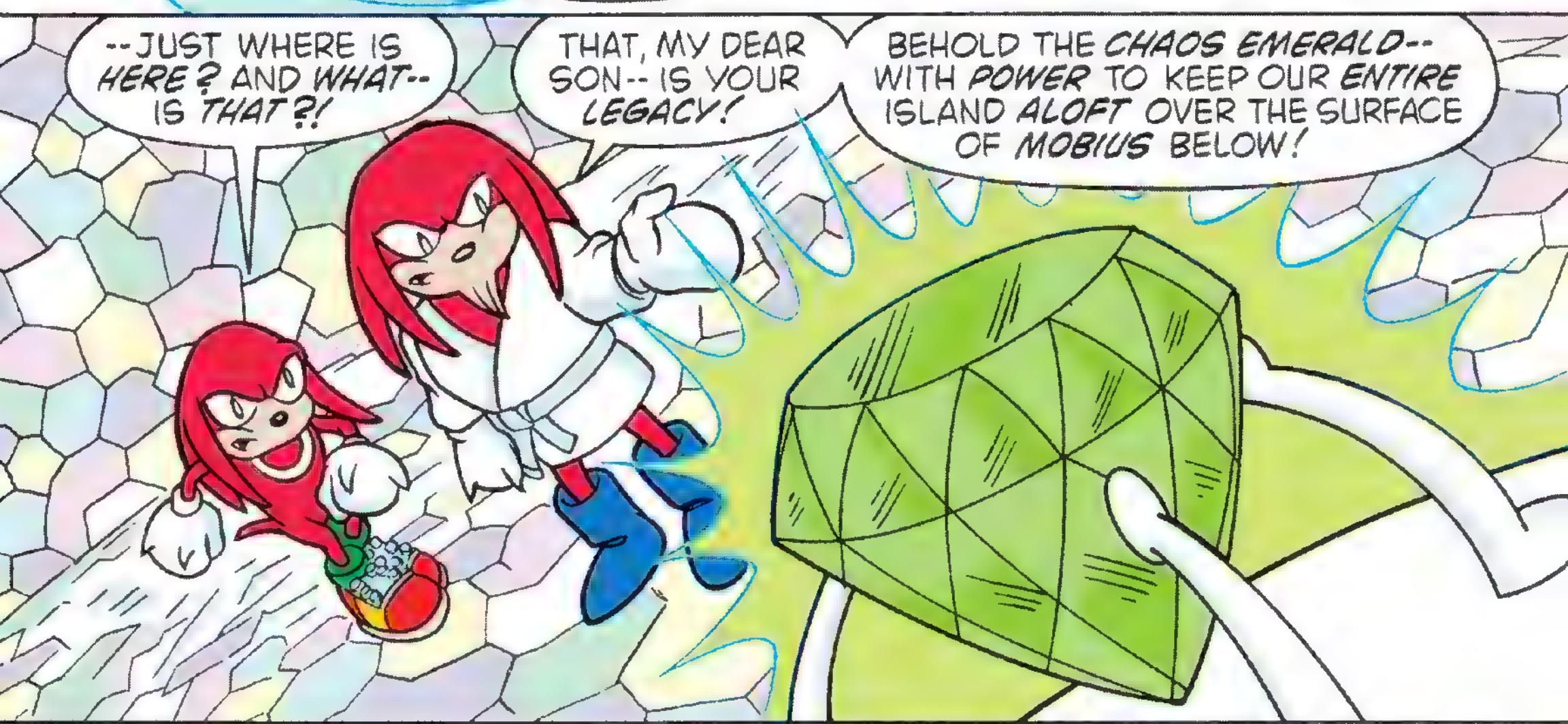
NOW, FOLLOW ME--

--FOR THIS IS WHAT IT'S ALL ABOUT!

A SECRET PASSAGE?

TO WHERE, FATHER?

TO ZOOT CHUTE



--FOR ONLY WHEN
YOU HAVE ALL THE PIECES
WILL YOU BE ABLE TO
UNDERSTAND!

--BE ABLE TO
UNDERSTAND!"

INTERESTING!

NOW THAT I THINK OF IT,
ARCHIMEDES DID SOUND A
LOT LIKE MY DAD!

TO BE MORE SPECIFIC--THE WORDS
SOUNDED LIKE DAD, BUT THE SOUND
OF ARCHIMEDES' VOICE SOUNDED--

--WELL,
DIFFERENT!

COULD THAT MEAN THAT--
NAH, IT COULDN'T BE--

THERE'S
NO WAY DAD
COULD'VE--

BESIDES, THIS
ISN'T HELPING
ME FIND THE
CHAOTIX!*

BLUNDERING
AROUND, HOWEVER,
ISN'T GONNA DO A
FAT LOT OF GOOD
EITHER!

DAD WOULD
EXPECT ME TO
USE MY HEAD AND
THINK--

* THEY WERE KIDNAPPED IN KNUCKLES'
CHAOTIX SPECIAL #1--EDITOR

--STUDY THE PROBLEM
BEFORE YOU--

-- AND DETERMINE
THE **BEST** WAY TO
RESOLVE THE
SITUATION!

IN THIS CASE, WE
HAVE A MYSTERIOUS
GLOBULAR OBJECT
FLYING AROUND!

WE HAVEN'T
ANY CLUE TO
ITS ORIGINS OR
INTENTIONS!

SO, MY DEAR KNUCKLES,
WHAT WOULD YOU SAY IS OUR
FIRST COURSE OF ACTION?

HMM...

I WOULD...

I GUESS I WOULD
WATCH AND WAIT TO SEE
WHAT IT DOES FIRST!

VERY
GOOD,
LAD!

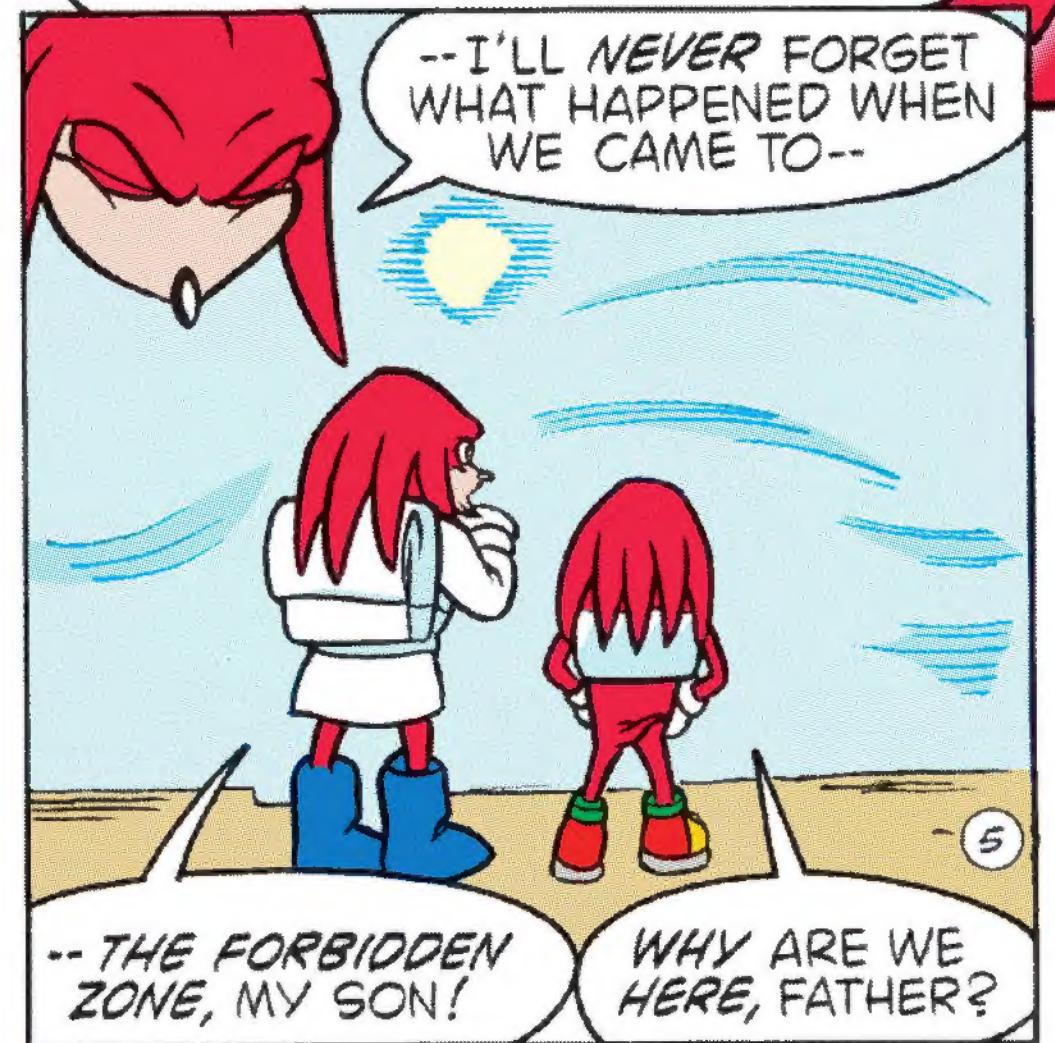
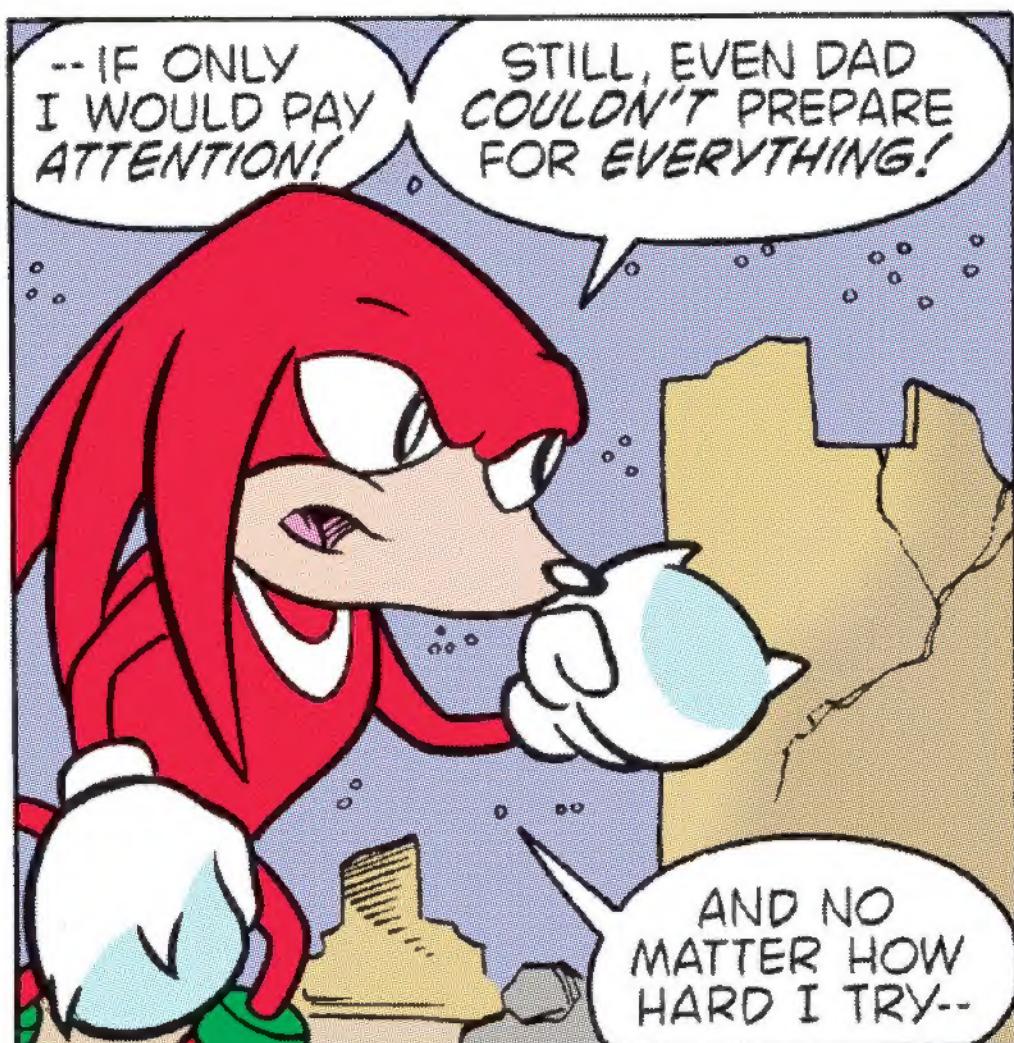
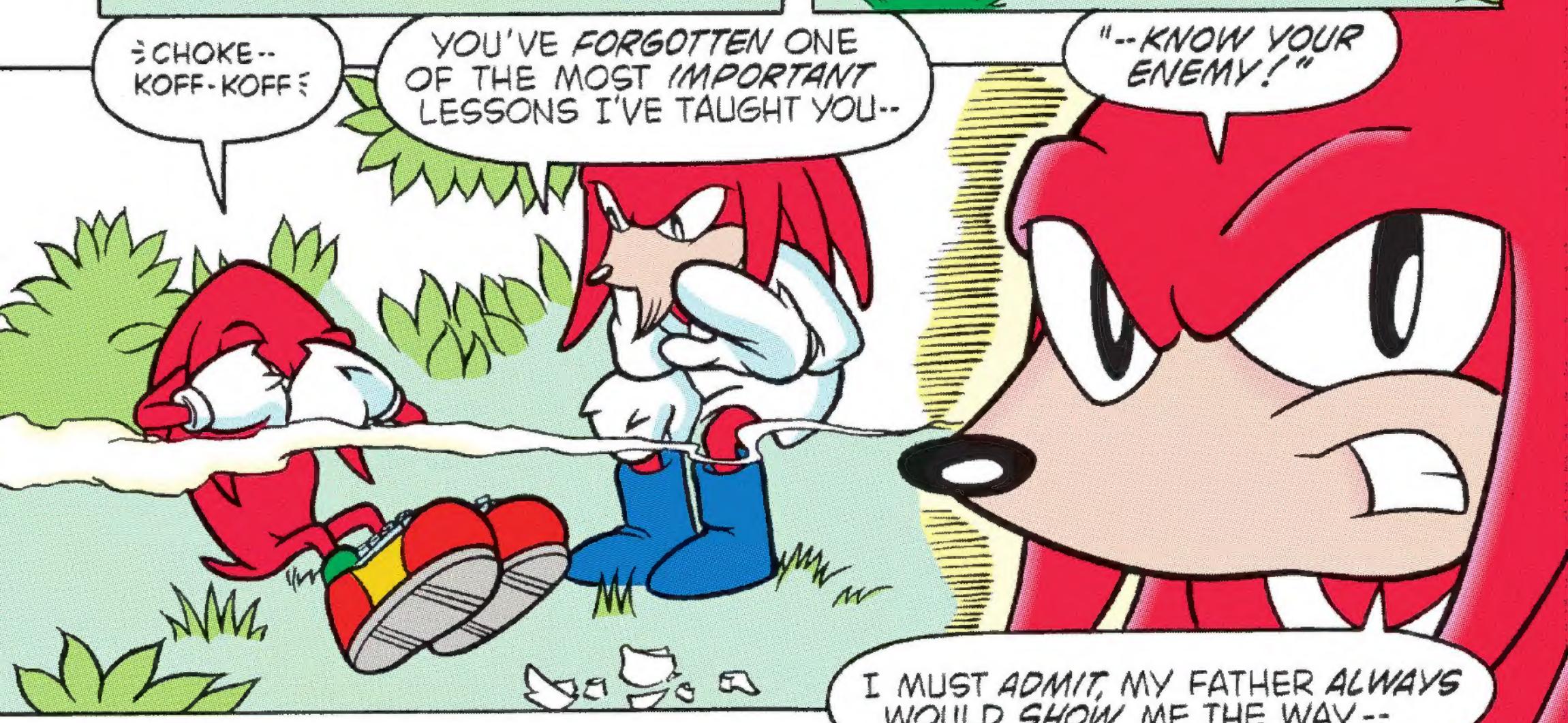
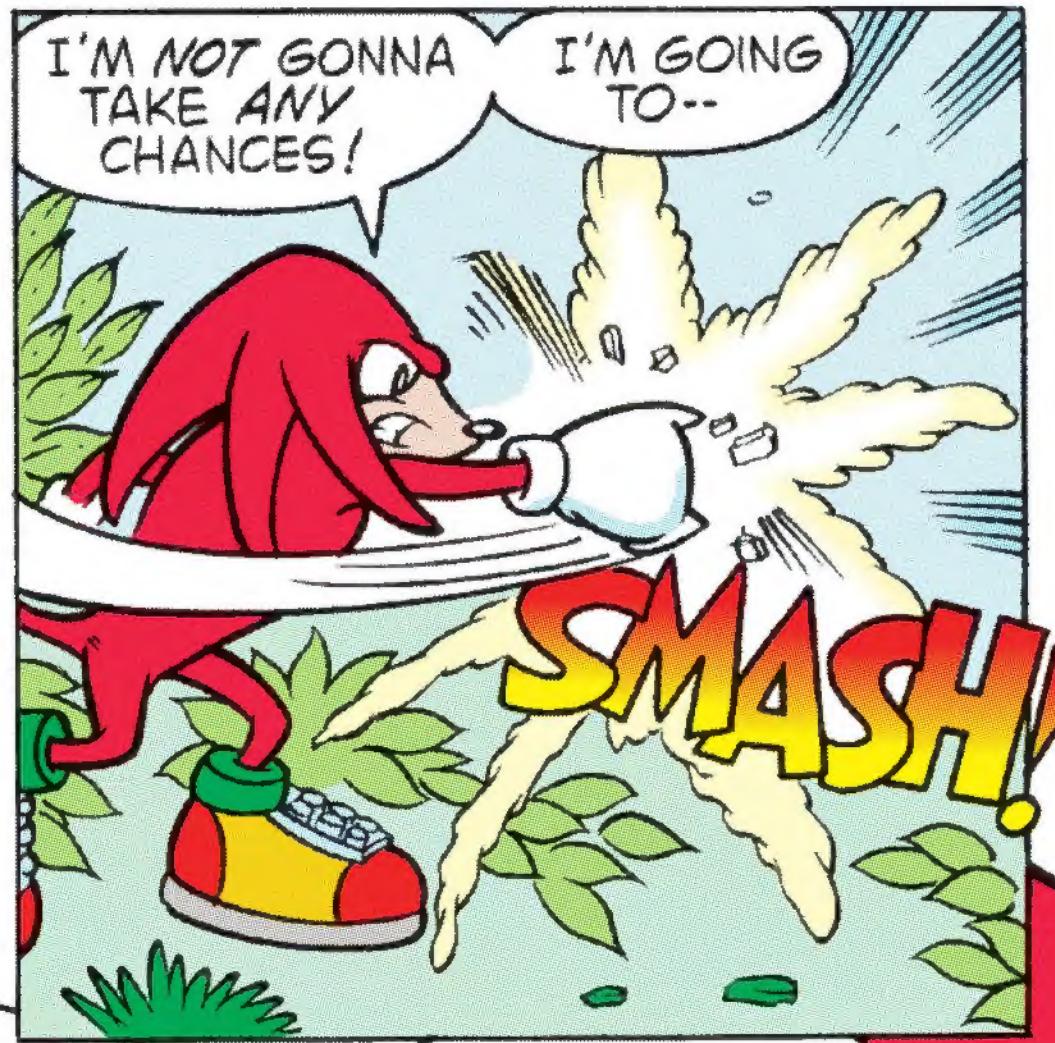
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WHAT?

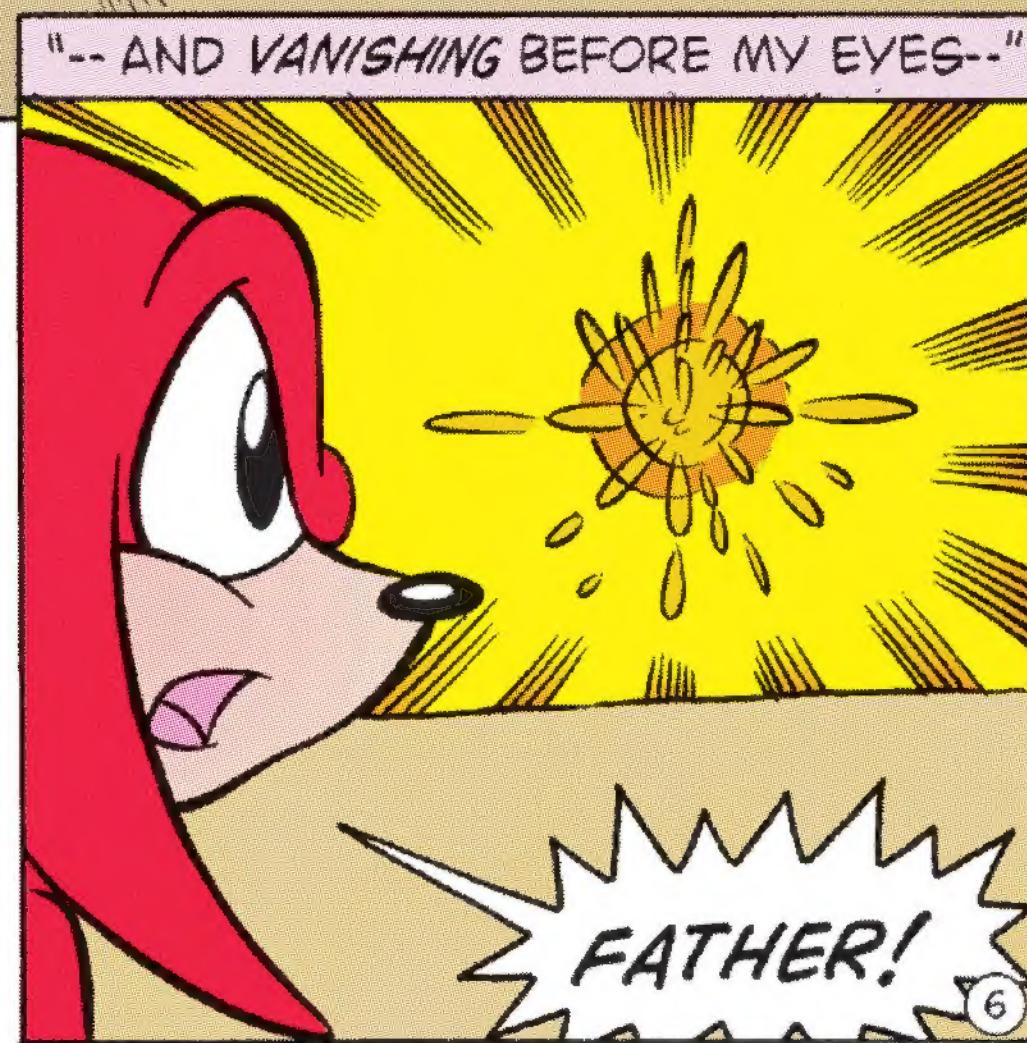
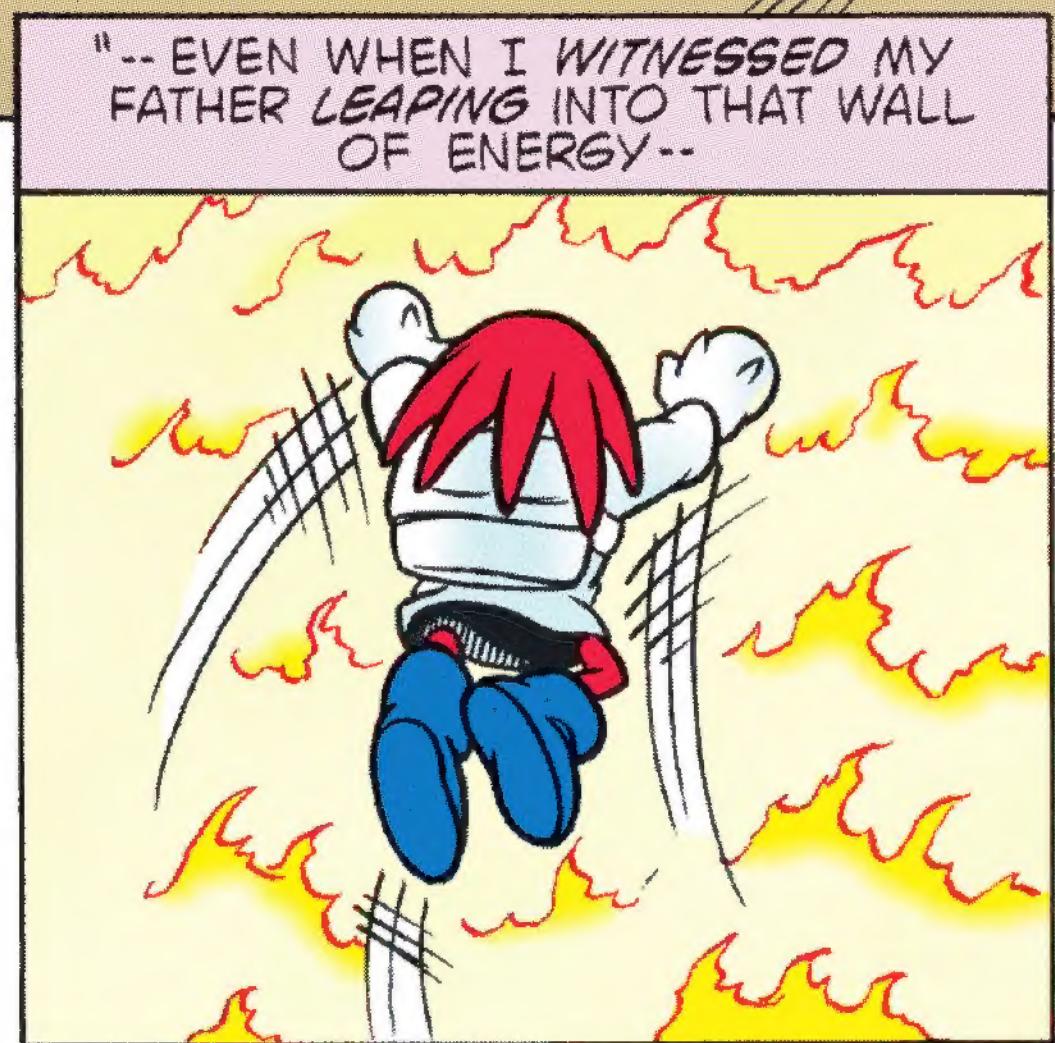
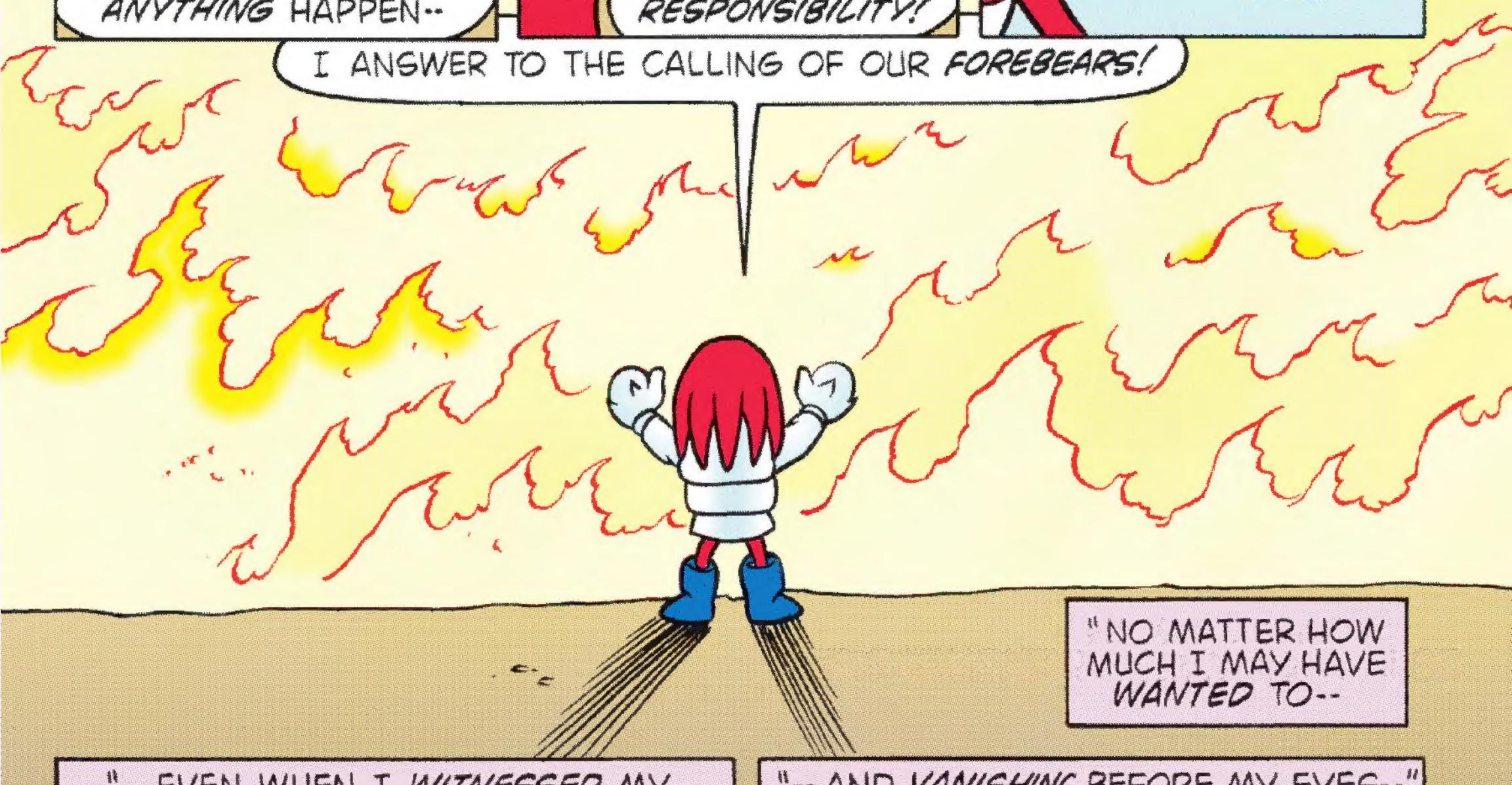
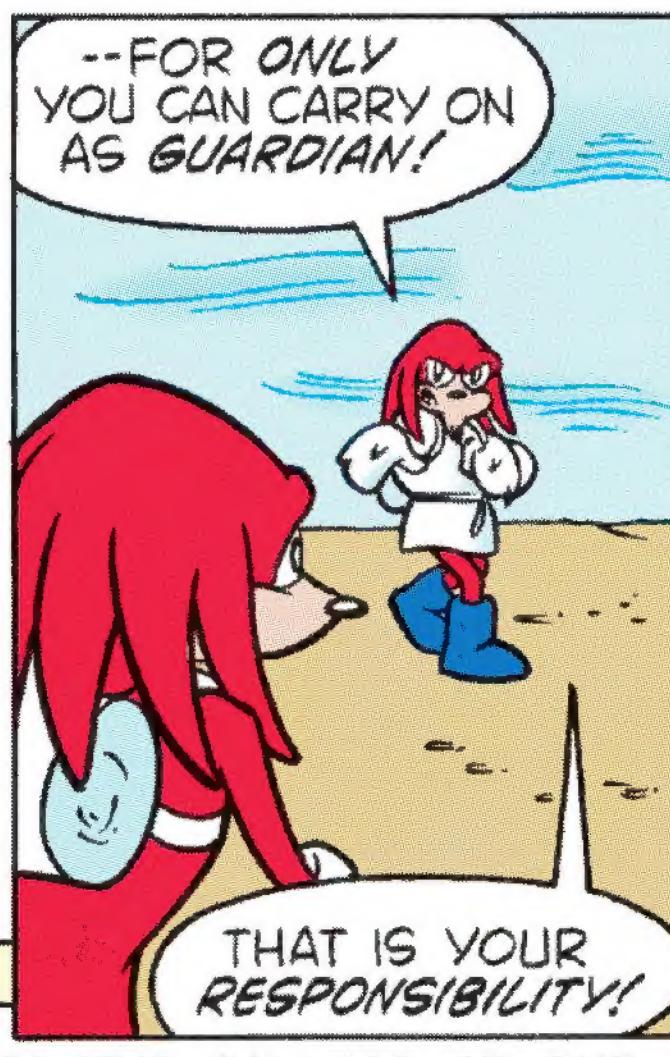
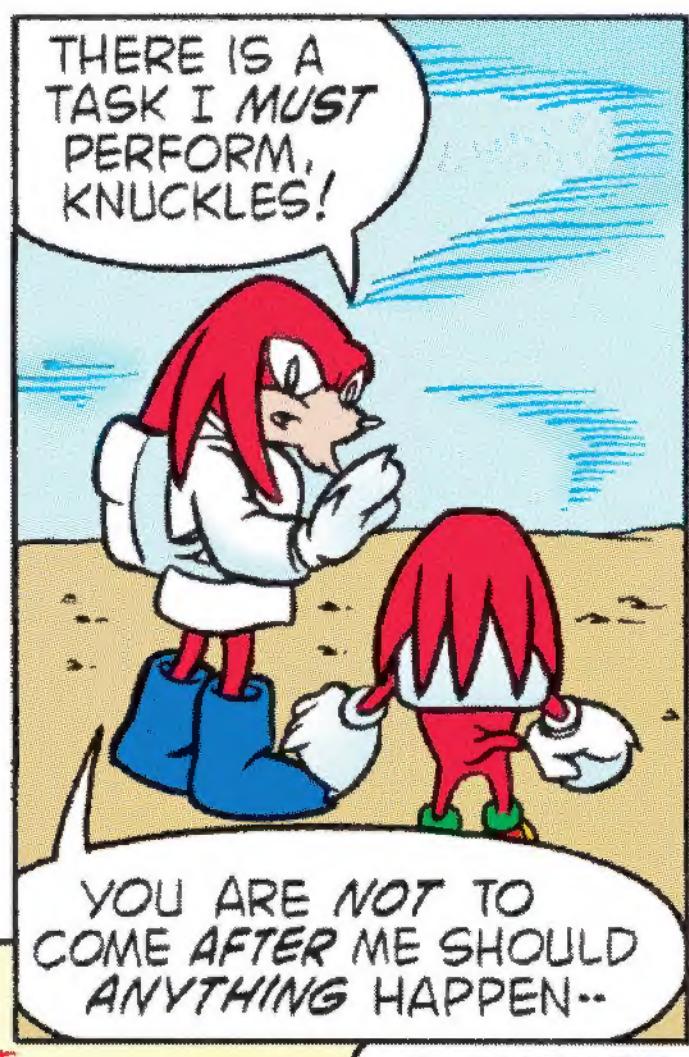
I--I DON'T
KNOW! I GUESS
IT DEPENDS!

ON
WHAT?

OH, LIKE MAYBE HAVING TO DEAL
WITH IT UP CLOSE AND PERSONAL--

IN EFFECT, FORCING
YOU TO MAKE A DECISION!
IS THAT CORRECT?





-- I STAYED
MY GROUND AND
HONORED MY FATHER'S
WISHES!

IT WAS THE
HARDEST THING
I'D EVER DONE...

BUT IF MY DAD
COULD MAKE SACRIFICES
TIME AFTER TIME--

-- THEN HOW COULD I
NOT DO LIKEWISE?

IT WASN'T ANY
PICNIC FOR AWHILE
AFTER THAT!

I'D KEEP
FINDING NEW WAYS
TO MESS UP!

LIKE, ALLOWING
ROBOTNIK TO
MAKE A DUPE
OUTTA ME!*

THINGS GOT SO BAD I HAD
TO DEPEND ON THAT STUPID
HEDGEHOG TO SAVE MY TAIL!

AND WHEN HE SUGGESTED
I FORM THE CHAOTIX
INTO A TEAM...*

SLAM!
WHAM!

* CHECK OUT "THE CHAOS EFFECT" IN
KNUCKLES' CHAOTIX SPECIAL #1 - EDITOR

...I LET MY PRIDE GET IN THE WAY
AND SUGGESTED OTHERWISE!

I DIDN'T WANT TO ADMIT IT
WAS TIME TO GROW UP--

-- THAT NO MATTER WHAT I
DID, I COULDN'T ESCAPE THE
RESPONSIBILITIES THAT HAD
BEEN HANDED DOWN TO ME!

MY DAD DID HIS *BEST*
TO TEACH ME --

--BUT EVEN HE
ACKNOWLEDGED THAT
HE COULDN'T TEACH
ME *EVERYTHING*--

--THAT SOME OF MY ANSWERS
LAY *ELSEWHERE*--

AND IF SO, I'LL
GET THEM!

FOR YOU,
DAD--

-- AND IT'S MORE THAN
LIKELY THIS ARCHIMEDES HAS
A FEW OF THOSE ANSWERS!

-- AS WELL
AS FOR THE
CHAOTIX!

YOU'LL LEARN THE ANSWERS, DEAR READER, AS KNUCKLES' STORY CONTINUES
IN THE PAGES OF SONIC ARCHIVES!